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OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
FIFTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION,  
OF THE  
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH,

In South-Carolina:

HELD IN ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, CHARLESTON,

ON THE 12th, 13th, 14th and 16th of FEBRUARY,

1846.

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WITH  
LISTS OF THE CLERGY AND PARISHES,

THE PAROCHIAL REPORTS, THE CONSTITUTION, CANONS AND RULES  
OF ORDER, AND THE STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

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# ALPHABETICAL LIST OF THE CLERGY,

BELONGING TO THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN SOUTH-CAROLINA,

FEBRUARY 1846.

THE Rt. Rev. CHRISTOPHER EDWARDS GADSDEN, D. D., *Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector of St. Philip's Parish, Charleston.*

## PRESBYTERS.

The Rev. Pierre Teller Babbit, *Principal of the Diocesan School, Charleston, and Missionary.*

" William H. Barnwell, *Rector of St. Peter's Church, Charleston.*

" John Barnwell Campbell, *Assistant Minister of St. Philip's Church, Charleston.*

" John W. Chanler, *residing in New-York.*

" Augustus L. Converse, *Rector of the Church at Claremont Stateburg.*

" Andrew H. Cornish, *Rector of Trinity Church, Abbeville.*

" J. Hamilton Cornish, *Rector of the Church of the Messiah, North Santee.*

" William Dehon, *Rector of the United Churches of Pineville and Upper St. John's.*

" Francis P. Delavaux, *residing at Walterboro'.*

" Thomas C. Dupont, *Missionary at St. Stephen's Chapel, Charleston.*

" Charles P. Elliott, *officiating for the black people in St. Mark's Parish.*

" Stephen Elliott, *officiating for the black people in Prince William's Parish.*

" Henry Elwell, *officiating and Teaching at Mars' Bluff, Darlington District.*

" Alfred E. Ford, *Rector of the Church of St. Thaddæus, Aiken.*

" Andrew Fowler, *Charleston.*

" Philip Gadsden, *Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Stono, and St. Paul's Church, Summerville.*

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The Rev. Paul T. Gervais, *residing in St. John's, Colleton.*

- " Allston Gibbes, *residing in Philadelphia.*
- " Alexander Glennie, *Rector of All Saint's Parish, Waccamaw.*
- " Christian Hanckel, D. D., *Rector of St. Paul's Church, Radcliffeboro'.*
- " James Stuart Hanckel, *Rector of St. Andrew's Parish, and Assistant Minister of St. Paul's Church, Radcliffeboro'.*
- " Robert Henry, D. D., *Professor in the South-Carolina College.*
- " Robert T. Howard, *Rector of Prince George's Parish, Winyaw.*
- " Jedediah Huntington, M. D., *absent in Europe.*
- " Nathaniel Hyatt, *Rector of St. James', Santee.*
- " Paul Trapier Keith, *Assistant Minister of St. Michael's Church, Charleston.*
- " Maurice H. Lance, *residing near Georgetown.*
- " Francis Prioleau Lee, *Rector of Grace Church, Camden.*
- " Charles E. Leverett, *Rector of the Church on Edisto Island, and St. Stephen's Chapel, Edingsville.*
- " Alexander W. Marshall, *Missionary at St. John's Chapel, Hampstead.*
- " David McElheran, *Rector of St. Helena Church, St. Helena Island.*
- " Stiles Mellichamp, *Rector of St. James' Church, James Island,*
- " Josiah Obear, *Rector of St. John's Church, Fairfield, and Missionary to Winnsboro'.*
- " Carter Page, *officiating at the Wateree, among the slave population.*
- " Edward Phillips, *Rector of St. Thomas and St. Dennis' Parish.*
- " Charles C. Pinckney, Jun., *residing in Buncombe, N. C.*
- " William T. Potter, *residing at Beaufort.*
- " Edward Reed, *Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Grahamville.*
- " Peter J. Shand, *Rector of Trinity Church, Columbia.*
- " Robert D. Shindler, *Missionary in Chester District.*
- " Isaac Swart, *Missionary and teaching in Darlington District.*
- " N P. Tillinghast.
- " Paul Trapier, *Rector of St. Michael's Church, Charleston.*
- " Joseph R. Walker, *Rector of St. Helena Parish, Beaufort.*
- " Edward T. Walker, *Rector of Christ Church, Wilton.*
- " C. B. Walker, *Rector of Trinity Church, Edgefield.*
- " Cranmore Wallace, *Rector of St. John's Parish, Berkley.*
- " Benjamin C. Webb, *Missionary in Prince William's Parish among the slave population.*
- " Arthur Wigfall, *Rector of St. Mark's Parish, Clarendon.*



The Rev. Alsop Woodward, *Rector of St. Luke's Parish.*

" Thomas John Young, *Rector of St. John's Parish, John's Island.*

#### DEACONS.

The Rev. E. H. Downing, *Missionary and teaching in Kershaw District.*

" John R. Fell, *Minister at Prince Frederick's Chapel, Pee Dee.*

" L. Clement Johnson, *officiating at Society Hill.*

" Richard S. Seely, *Missionary in Newberry District.*

" W. O. Prentiss.

The following Clergymen did not attend the meetings of the Convention, viz :—

#### PRESBYTERS.

The Rev. J. W. Chanler,

" A. L. Converse,

" A. H. Cornish,

" F. P. Delavaux,

" H. Elwell,

" P. T. Gervais,

" A. Gibbes,

" R. Henry, D. D.

" J. Huntington, M. D.

" F. P. Lee,

" J. Obear,

" E. Phillips,

" J. Swart,

" N. P. Tillinghast,

" C. B. Walker.

#### DEACONS.

The Rev. J. R. Fell,

" R. S. Seely.

The following Clergymen were invited to the sittings of the Convention.

The Rev. J. P. Labagh, *of the Diocese of Delaware, Missionary to the Jews in New-York City, and*

The Rev. Joshua Peterkin *of the Diocese of Maryland, Agent of the Domestic Committee of the General Missionary Society.*

The following Candidates for Holy Orders, were also present.

Messrs. C. P. Gadsden,

Joseph H. Seabrook,

George L. Platt,

J. Ward Simmons,

William B. W. Howe,

B. Johnson, and

J. Grimke Drayton.

# LIST OF PARISHES AND CHURCHES,

IN THE DIOCESE OF SOUTH-CAROLINA, WITH THE DATES

OF THEIR FOUNDATION ANNEXED.

<i>Ss. Philip's</i> (original Church, built 1681,) Parish,		1704,
<i>St. James's</i> ,	Parish, Santee,	1706, April 9.
<i>St. Andrew's</i>	"	1706, Nov. 30.
<i>St. Bartholomew's</i>	"	1706, " "
<i>Christ Church</i> ,	"	1706, " "
<i>St. James's</i>	" Goose Creek,	1706, " "
<i>St. John's</i>	" Berkley,	1706, " "
<i>St. Thomas' and St. Denis's</i>	"	1706, " "
<i>St. Paul's</i> ,	" Stono,	1706, " "
<i>St. Helena's</i>	" Beaufort,	1712,
<i>Prince George's</i>	" Winyaw,	1721,
<i>St. John's</i>	" John's Island,	1734,
<i>Prince Frederick's</i>	" 1734, Chapel Peedee,	1838,
<i>Prince William's</i>	"	1745,
<i>St. Michael's</i>	" 1751, (Church built 1761,)	
<i>St. Mark's</i>	" Clarendon,	1757,
<i>All-Saints</i>	" Waccamaw,	1767, May 23.
<i>St. Luke's</i>	"	1767, " "
<i>St. Matthew's</i>	"	1768,
<i>St. David's</i>	" 1768, Church Cheraw,	1820,
<i>Church on Edisto Island</i> ,		1774,
<i>Claremont Church</i> ,	Stateburg,	1788,
<i>St. Helena Church</i> ,	St. Helena Island,	
<i>Pineville and Upper St. John's</i> ,		1807,
<i>St. Paul's Church</i> ,	Radcliffeboro',	1810,
<i>Trinity</i>	" Columbia,	1812,
<i>North Santee</i>	"	about 1817,
<i>Grace</i> ,	" Sullivan's Island,	1817,

<i>St. Paul's</i>	Church,	Pendleton,	about 1821,
<i>Christ</i>	"	Greenville,	1825,
<i>Grace</i>	"	Camden,	1830,
<i>St. James's</i>	"	James Island,	1831,
<i>St. Peter's</i>	"	Charleston,	1833,
<i>Trinity</i>	"	Society Hill,	1833,
<i>Christ</i>	"	Wilton,	1834,
<i>Holy Trinity</i>	"	Grahamville,	1834,
<i>Trinity</i>	"	Edgefield,	1835,
<i>St. John's</i>	"	Fairfield,	1839,
<i>Trinity</i>	"	Abbeville,	1842,
<i>Church of the Messiah,</i>		North Santee,	1842,
<i>Church of St. Thaddæus,</i>		Aiken,	1842,
<i>Emmanuel Church,</i>		Chester,	1843,
<i>Zion Church,</i>		Richland,	1844,
<i>Church of the Epiphany,</i>		Laurens,	1846,
<i>Grace Church,</i>		Charleston,	1846.

## CONGREGATIONS.

NOT ENTITLED TO A REPRESENTATION IN THE CONVENTION.

<i>St. Stephen's</i>	Chapel,	Charleston,	1822,	} <i>Mission</i> <i>Congregations.</i>
<i>St. John's</i>	"	Hampstead,	1839,	
<i>St. Philip's</i>	"	Bradford Springs,	1848,	

## LAY DELEGATES\*

PRESENT AT THE CONVENTION WERE AS FOLLOWS :

*St. Philip's, Charleston,* Daniel Huger, Benj. D. Heriot, and Edward McCrady.

*St. James' Parish, Santee,* Dr. A. E. Gadsden.

*St. Andrew's Parish,* Francis S. Holmes.

*St. Bartholomew's Parish.*

*Christ Church Parish,* James S. Rhett.

*St. James' Church, Goose Creek.*

*St. John's Church, Berkley,* Frederick A. Ford, John Harleston, and Dr. S. W. Barker.

*St. Thomas' and St. Dennis'.*

*St. Paul's, Stono.*

*St. Helena, Beaufort,* Robert W. Barnwell,

*Prince George's, Winyaw,* D. L. McKay.

*St. John's, John's Island*, William S. Whaley.

*Prince Frederick's, Pee Dee*, R. F. W. Allston.

*Prince William's*.

*St. Michael's, Charleston*, Dr. I. M. Campbell, Dr. H. S. Waring, and William Jervey.

*St. Mark's, Clarendon*.

*All Saints', Waccamaw*, John H. Tucker, and P. C. J. Weston.

*St. Luke's*.

*St. Matthew's*.

*St. David's, Cheraw*.

*Church on Edisto Island*, Dr. Edward Mitchell, and A. H. Seabrook.

*Claremont Church, Stateburg*, Col. J. J. Moore.

*St. Helena Church, St. Helena Island*.

*Pineville and Upper St. John's*, H. W. Ravenel, Charles Sinkler, and William M. Porcher.

*St. Paul's Church, Radcliffeboro'*, Robert Martin, C. R. Brewster, Jas. Simons, and Geo. W. Egleston.

*Trinity Church, Columbia*, William Goodwyn.

*North Santee*.

*Grace Church, Sullivan's Island*, Col. J. B. I'On, and J. L. Petigru.

*St. Paul's, Pendleton*, C. C. Pinckney.

*Christ Church, Greenville*, Edward Croft.

*Grace Church, Camden*.

*St. James', James Island*, Dr. Robert Lebby, and John Rivers.

*St. Peter's Church, Charleston*, C. G. Memminger, C. A. Desaussure, and Dr. William Michel.

*Trinity Church, Society Hill*, John T. McCullough.

*Christ Church, Wilton*, Col. Lewis Morris, and Joseph W. Faber.

*Holy Trinity, Grahamville*, C. C. Dupont.

*Trinity Church, Edgefield*.

*St. John's Church, Fairfield*, Samuel Dubose.

*Trinity Church, Abbeville*.

*Church of the Messiah, North Santee*, Andrew Johnston, James H. Ladson, and James R. Pringle.

*Church of St. Thaddæus, Aiken*, Edward R. Laurens.

*Emmanuel Church, Chester*.

*Zion Church, Richland*, T. B. Clarkson.

*Church of the Epiphany, Laurens*, Dr. N. Bailey.



## MINUTES OF THE CONVENTION.

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*Charleston, February 12th, 1846:*

THIS being the day appointed by the last Convention for the Fifty-seventh Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of South-Carolina, a number of the Clergy and Laity assembled in St. Michael's Church at 10 o'clock A. M. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. J. R. Walker. A Sermon was preached by the Rev. A. Woodward. The Ante-Communion Service was read by the Rev. Dr. Hanckel. The Holy Communion was administered by the Bishop, assisted in the distribution of the elements by the Rev. Dr. Hanckel, and the Rev. Messrs. Trapier and Barnwell.

After Divine Service, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop, and the roll called by the Secretary of the last Convention, and a quorum of both orders was found present.

The following Clergymen answered to their names, viz :—

The Rt. Rev. Bishop C. E. GADSDEN, D. D.

### PRESBYTERS.

The Rev. P. T. Babbit,	The Rev. C. E. Leverett,
" W. H. Barnwell,	" A. W. Marshall,
" J. B. Campbell,	" D. McElheran,
" J. H. Cornish,	" S. Mellichamp,
" William Dehon,	" C. Page,
" T. C. Dupont,	" C. C. Pinckney, Jun.
" C. P. Elliott,	" W. T. Potter,
" Stephen Elliott,	" E. Reed,
" A. E. Ford,	" P. J. Shand,
" A. Fowler,	" R. D. Shindler,
" P. Gadsden,	" P. Trapier,
" A. Glennie,	" J. R. Walker,
" C. Hanckel, D. D.	" E. T. Walker,
" J. S. Hanckel,	" C. Wallace,
" R. T. Howard,	" B. C. Webb,
" N. Hyatt,	" A. Wigfall,
" P. T. Keith,	" A. Woodward,
" M. H. Lance,	" T. J. Young.

### DEACONS.

The Rev. E. H. Downing,	The Rev. W. C. Prentiss.
" L. C. Johnson,	

There were also admitted to the sittings of the Convention under the twenty-fourth Rule of Order, the Rev. Isaac P. Labagh, Missionary to the Jews; the Rev. Joshua Peterkin, of the Diocese of Maryland, Agent

of the Domestic Committee of the General Missionary Society ; and the following Candidates for Holy Orders, viz.—Messrs. C. P. Gadsden, J. H. Seabrook, and G. L. Platt.

The certificates of the Lay Delegates were referred to a Committee, consisting of Messrs. Ladson, Ford, and Desaussure. The Committee reported the following Delegates as elected, viz :—

*Prince Frederick's Chapel, Pee Dee*, R. F. W. Allston,\* R. S. Izard, J. H. Read, Jun., P. W. Fraser, A. H. Belin, Hon. J. R. Poinsett.

*Claremont Episcopal Church*, Col. J. J. Moore.\*

*St. James' Parish, Santee*, Dr. Shoolbred, Dr. A. E. Gadsden,\* and Dr. E. D. Smith.

*Church of the Messiah, North Santee*, Andrew Johnston,\* James H. Ladson,\* and James R. Pringle.\*

*Christ Church, Wilton*, Col. Lewis Morris,\* and Joseph W. Faber.\*

*St. Philip's Church, Charleston*, Daniel Huger,\* B. D. Heriot,\* Edw'd McCrady,\* and Henry D. Lesesne.

*St. John's, Berkley*, Dr. Benj. Huger, Fred. A. Ford,\* John Harleston,\* and Dr. S. W. Barker.\*

*St. Paul's Church, Radcliffeboro'*, Robert Martin,\* C. R. Brewster, James Simons,\* and George W. Eggleston.\*

*St. Paul's, Pendleton*, Dr. R. E. Elliott, John L. North, and C. C. Pinckney.\*

*Trinity Church, Society Hill*, Hon. J. J. Evans, and J. D. McCullough.\*

*St. James' Church, James Island*, Dr. Robert Lebby,\* and John Rivers.\*

*All Saints' Parish, Waccamaw*, J. H. Tucker,\* F. M. Weston, T. P. Alston, and P. C. J. Weston.\*

*St. Michael's Church, Charleston*, Alfred Huger, Dr. I. M. Campbell,\* Dr. H. S. Waring,\* and William Jervey.\*

*Prince George, Winyaw*, D. L. McKay.\*

*St. Luke's Parish*, Dr. James Stoney, Thomas F. Drayton, and William Pope, Sen.

*Church of the Holy Trinity, Grahamville*, J. H. Screven, T. S. Heyward, and C. C. Dupont.\*

*St. John's Church, John's Island*, William S. Whaley,\* and Richard Laroche, Jun.

*Trinity Church, Columbia*, William Goodwyn,\* and Dr. M. Laborde.

*Grace Church, Sullivan's Island*, Col. J. B. I'On,\* and J. L. Petigru.\*

*Church on Edisto Island*, Dr. Edward Mitchell,\* A. H. Seabrook,\* and J. J. R. Westcoat.

*Christ Church Parish*, James S. Rhett,\* and John Hamlin.

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\* Those marked with an asterisk (\*) were present at the sittings of the Convention.

*St. Helena Church, Beaufort*, Dr. Thomas Fuller, Dr. B. B. Sams, Robert W. Barnwell,\* and John Johnson.

*St. Peter's Church, Charleston*, C. G. Memminger,\* C. A. Desaussure,\* Edward Barnwell, Jun., Dr. William Michel.\*

*Pineville Church of the Epiphany and Black Oak*, H. W. Ravenel,\* Maham Palmer, Charles Sinkler,\* and William M. Porcher.\*

*St. John's Church, Winnsborough*, Samuel Du Bose.\*

*Trinity Church, Abbeville*, Dr. Jos. F. Lee, and T. W. Thomas,

*St. Thaddæus, Aiken*, Edward R. Laurens,\* and Col. James Gadsden.

They also reported that *St. Thaddæus, Aiken*, and *Emmanuel Church, Chester*, had elected gentlemen to represent them who were not residents of those Parishes, respectively.

Whereupon it was moved by the Rev. Mr. Young, that the Delegates be admitted to a seat. The question being divided, it was taken first upon admitting the Delegate from Chester, and lost. It was then taken on admitting the Delegates from Aiken, and passed.

It was then moved to reconsider the vote, declining to receive the Delegate from Chester. The vote being called for by orders, resulted as follows:—Of the *Clergy*, Ayes, twelve (12); Noes, eighteen (18.) Of the *Layty*, Ayes, eight (8); Noes, thirteen (13); divided, one (1.) So the reconsideration was negatived.

It was then moved to reconsider the vote, admitting the non-resident Delegates from Aiken, and carried. The Delegates then requested, and had leave to withdraw their certificate of delegation.

A question arising as to the right of the Rev. S. Elliott to a vote in the Convention as a Missionary under Section 3d, Article III. of the Constitution, the Bishop declared that the Rev. gentleman had not yet obtained the sanction of the Ecclesiastical authority to act as a Missionary.

A similar question having arisen as to the right of the Rev. C. P. Elliott to vote, it was moved that he be admitted to vote, and lost.

A similar question having arisen as to the vote of the Rev. Carter Page, it was moved that he be admitted, but after debate, the resolution was indefinitely postponed.

On motion, the vote by ballot for a Secretary, was dispensed with, and the Rev. C. Wallace re-elected.

After Prayers, by the Bishop, adjourned to to-morrow at 10 o'clock, A. M.

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*Friday, February 13th, 1846.*

The Convention met according to adjournment. Morning Prayer and the Litany were read by the Rev. Mr. Keith. The Bishop delivered his Triennial Charge to the Clergy.

After Divine Service, the roll was called, and a quorum found present. The Secretary appointed the Rev. P. T. Keith his assistant. The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Bishop appointed as preacher for the opening of the next Convention, the Rev. E. Reed, and as his substitute, the Rev. A. H. Cornish.

It was moved to reconsider the votes of yesterday, excluding certain Missionaries from a vote in Convention, but the motion was lost.

Mr. F. S. Holmes presented a certificate as Delegate from St. Andrew's Parish, and took his seat.

There were also present at the sittings of the Convention, under the 24th Rule of Order, besides the Clergymen and Candidates named yesterday, the following Candidates for Holy Orders, Messrs. J. G. Drayton, Wm. B. W. Howe, J. Ward Simmons, and B. Johnson.

The following Committee was appointed on the admission of new Churches:—The Rev. Messrs. Shand and Wallace, and Messrs. Allston, R. W. Barnwell, and Weston. Applications from Zion Church, Richland District; Church of the Epiphany, Laurens; and Grace Church, Charleston; were referred to this Committee.

The Committee on Finance was appointed, viz:—Messrs. James R. Pringle, E. R. Laurens, and G. W. Eggleston. The books of the Treasurer of Convention, and the Treasurer of the funds for the support of the Bishop, were referred to them.

The Committee on unfinished business was appointed, viz:—The Rev. Mr. Young, Dr. Waring, and Mr. Ford.

The Standing Committee presented their Report, as follows:

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of South-Carolina, respectfully report, that they have recommended to the Bishop, to be received as Candidates for Orders, Messrs. Edward C. Logan, James Ward Simmons, Charles Theodore Bland, and Joseph Francis Lee.

For Deacon's Orders, Messrs. Elijah H. Downing, and Willam O. Prentiss.

And for Priest's Orders, Rev. Carter Page, and Rev. Nathaniel Hyatt.

They also signed the testimonials of the Rev. Alonzo Potter. D. D., Bishop Elect of the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

CH. HANCKEL, *President.*

The Rev. Mr. Dehon and Mr. C. A. Desaussure, were appointed Tellers of the votes for a Standing Committee.

The Rev. Mr. Marshall and Dr. Leiby were appointed Tellers of the votes for Delegates to the General Convention, and the Convention proceeded to vote by orders for those Committees.

The Tellers had leave to withdraw and count the votes.

The Committee on the Conventional School reported as follows:

The Convention School Committee respectfully report, that the school



for male pupils has been successfully conducted by the Principal, the Rev. P. T. Babbit, assisted by Mr. Capron, during the past year, and your Committee are gratified at perceiving the increase of confidence in the school, evinced by the substantial increase in its numbers. At the beginning of the last year, the school commenced with twenty-five (25) scholars, of from seven (7) to seventeen (17) years of age. At the close of the year, the number of pupils had increased to forty-four (44), at about which number, it is believed still to continue. The school, therefore, may fairly be regarded as established, and it now depends upon the exertions of the Principal, under the hand of Divine Providence, whether it shall realize the expectations of the Convention.

The reports of the Principal indicate the plan by which he combines religious with secular instruction. Your Committee regard this plan as judicious, and well calculated to promote the object in view, and they presume it would be acceptable to the Convention to have its outline presented to them.

The school is opened and closed daily with prayer. On Monday, the Collect for the next Sunday is used, and the boys are catechised upon it. On Tuesday, a question or part of a question from the catechism, is broken into various questions, calculated to aid in understanding its meaning. On Wednesday, the Gospel for the next Sunday is made the basis of catechetical instruction. On Thursday, some portion of the Prayer-book is used for the same purpose. On Friday, one hour before the close of the school is devoted to instruction from the Bible and Prayer-book, at which time the Bishop generally is present, directing or assisting in the duty.

Your Committee have now reached the period at which their term of service expires. They congratulate the Convention that under the blessing of Divine Providence they have been permitted thus far to realize the object for which they were created. They think themselves authorized to say, that the school is now fairly established, and they feel warranted in commending it to the patronage and support of the Church. Its prosperity and success are objects which must unite the opinions of all; and your Committee would entreat for those objects the prayerful co-operation of all who take an interest in training up the child in the way he should go. All which is respectfully submitted.

In behalf of the Committee,

C. E. GADSDEN.

The Bishop appointed as preachers for other days, than the first of the next Convention, the Rev. Messrs. P. Gadsden, Glennie, and J. S. Hanckel.

It was then

*Resolved*, That the next meeting of this Convention be held on the first Thursday of February 1847.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Young, Canon IV. of this Convention was repealed.

The Bishop then read his Address as follows :

*Brethren of the Clergy and Laity :—*

To obtain "a full and accurate view of the state of the Church, from time to time," Canon 8 of 1841, requires of every Presbyter and Deacon,

a statement, annually, as to certain particulars, therein specified. If the Bishop is the Rector of a Parish, the same statement is required of him; and also as to "the affairs of the *diocese*," a statement, (the topics of which are designated,) which it affords me pleasure now to present to you.

I. These Churches and stations have been visited :—St. Stephen's Chapel, Charleston, twice; Grace Church, Camden, three times; Prince George's, Prince Frederick's, All Saints, St. James' Santee; Church of the Messiah, North Santee; St. Stephen's Chapel, Pineville; Epiphany, St. John's; St. Andrew's, St. John's, Colleton; St. David's, Trinity at Society Hill; Mars' Bluff Mission; St. Mark's, Claremont; St. Thaddæus, 3 times; St. James' on the Island; Christ Church Parish, twice; St. John's, Hampstead, 3 times; Grace Church, Sullivan's Island; Newberry Mission; Christ Church, Greenville: St. Paul's, Pendleton; Trinity, Abbeville; St. Paul's, Radcliffeborough; St. Paul's, Summerville; St. Michael's, Charleston; Trinity, Edgefield; St. Matthew's, Tottness; and Poor-House in Charleston, by request of a sick member. At several of these places there were two or more services. Twenty-seven of these visits were "canonical," and eleven informal.

II. The number of persons confirmed was 340. Of Barnwell district, 1; St. Stephen's, Charleston, 10; Grace Church, Camden, 5; Prince George's, 4; All Saints, 50; Church of the Messiah, 46; Pineville, 17; Upper St. John's, 14; John's Island, 78; St. John's Hampstead, 13; Society Hill, 14; Mars' Bluff, 2; Clarendon, 12; Claremont, 16; Aiken, 7; James' Island, 1; Christ Church Parish, 3; Sullivan's Island, 1; Newberry, 1; Greenville, 8; Pendleton, 7; Abbeville, 2; Edgefield, 3; St. Paul's, Radcliffeborough, 6; St. Michael's, 2; St. John's, Berkley, 2; St. Philip's, 15.

III. "The names of those received as Candidates for Orders" are Edward C. Logan, James Ward Simons, Charles T. Bland, Joseph F. Lee, Jun., and by "a letter of dismissal from the Bishop of Virginia," Thomas Simons Arthur. The whole number of candidates at present is fourteen, namely, the five named above, and nine named in former addresses, viz.—Messrs. I. G. Drayton, W. H. Hanckel, J. M. Pringle, A. Gregg, B. Johnson, C. P. Gadsden, G. L. Platt, J. B. Seabrook, and W. B. W. Howe. T. Fuller, jun'r. (much and deservedly lamented) has departed this life. L. F. Klepstein is no longer a candidate, having requested me to remove his name from the list of candidates. Two, W. H. Hanckel and J. F. Lee, are at our Theological Seminary. The remainder are studying in private, under direction of the Bishop, conformably to Canon X.

IV. "The names of those ordained" are, as Deacons, Elijah H. Downing, under Canon VII. of 1838, he having been a Minister in the Methodist connection, and William Otis Prentiss. And as Presbyters, Rev. Carter Page, and Rev. Nathaniel Hyatt.

V. "The changes, by removal or otherwise," are as follows :—The Rev. F. B. Lee, Presbyter, has been transferred to the diocese of Alabama; the Rev. R. Johnson, Presbyter, to the diocese of Georgia; the Rev. J. H. Fowles, Presbyter, to the diocese of Pennsylvania; the Rev. J. H. Miles, Presbyter, to the jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop in

Turkey, and the Rev. F. H. Rutledge, *Presbyter*, to the diocese of Florida; the Rev. L. C. Johnson, *deacon*, with my consent, is officiating at Trinity Church, Society Hill; the Rev. N. P. Tillinghast, *Presbyter*, has resigned Trinity Church, Society Hill, and is absent; the Rev. C. Page has removed from Edgefield, to serve the congregation near the Wateree; the Rev. C. B. Walker is the Rector of Trinity Church, Edgefield; the Rev. Henry Elwell has removed from Cheraw to Mars' Bluff; the Rev. C. C. Pinckney, Jun. has resigned the Rectorship of Christ Church, Greenville; the Rev. J. H. Fowles, that of St. Bartholomew's; the Rev. W. T. Potter, that of St. Paul's, Pendleton; the Rev. J. Swart has resigned the Mission at Mars' Bluff, and is now officiating as Missionary in Darlington, where he is teaching; the Rev. J. R. Fell, *deacon*, is, with my consent, officiating at Prince Frederick's Chapel; the Rev. R. S. Seely, *deacon*, with my consent, is officiating in Newberry district; the Rev. E. H. Downing, *deacon*, went to the North for his health, and has just returned; the Rev. Stephen Elliott has resigned the charge of Prince William's Parish, and proposes to officiate in future, to congregations chiefly composed of black persons.

Lastly.—Your attention is canonically invited to "all (other) matters tending to throw light on the affairs of the diocese." Two persons have been examined for Priest's, and seven for Deacon's Orders, the whole number of examinations was eleven. Two Churches were consecrated, All Saints, Waccamaw, a new Church, built on the site where stood two others that were successively removed; and St. James, Goose-creek, built in 1719, (not then consecrated, because we had no resident Bishop,) and in 1845, thoroughly repaired, and restored to its original beauty. One Rector has been instituted, Rev. A. E. Ford, at the Church of St. Thadæus, Aiken. On ten occasions, various services were held for the class of servants at North Santee, South Santee, St. John's, Berkley, Upper St. John's, St. Andrew's, Mars' Bluff, Aiken, and in Christ Church Parish. The school, founded by our Convention, has been visited on each Friday that I was in the city, with not more than one or two exceptions, when special claims on my time prevented. At meetings of "the Committee," (four extra, and three quarterly) I was present; but at the quarterly meeting in October, and also at the time of the December examination, I was not in the city. The examination in July I attended, and was much gratified with the result, as I have been always with the fidelity, zeal, and ability of the Principal, and the proficiency, in both divine and human knowledge of the pupils. I regret to have to state that the income of the institution is too small, owing to the necessarily reduced charges for the younger scholars. The remedy is the increase of their number, and of the proportion of the elder pupils—and such encouragement may reasonably be expected from the members of the Church, when they realize the value of the school to the pupils, and to the diocese. In the latter point of view, while the income remains so disproportioned to the labors of the teachers, it has a strong claim on the charity of the Church.\* The case is analogous to *that* of a State College and a city school. To extend the usefulness of these, the State and

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\* Contributions in its behalf will be thankfully received by the Bishop.



the city make an endowment, the good effect of which is the reduction of the charge for tuition. Some of the rates of tuition at our Church school are below the average standard, but the provision for supplying the deficiency in the salary of the teachers is not made. To multiply the pupils of it, there is a necessity of low rates for tuition, and therefore of supporting it, in part, by the liberality of the Church, just as the College and the High School of Charleston, and the College of South-Carolina are supported in part by the liberality of the City and the State. Unless the Church renders this assistance, its school must suffer in the competition with endowed schools, and with those conducted on popular principles, and by popular individuals. May I not ask the question, to what more important object can the resources of the Church be applied than the education of her children? To make them wise, and useful, and happy, shall she be less solicitous, than is the Civil Government, and though she has less ability, ought she not to do what she can? To increase its efficiency, the worthy Principal has employed an approved assistant, and nothing now, under the good providence and grace of God, seems to be wanting but the favor of parents, and of the Church in general. Every College of any reputation, has a Chapel, and for a Church Seminary to be without one, would indeed be an anomaly. A beautiful draft for a chapel has, at my request, been prepared by Mr. E. B. White, an architect of our own city, of established reputation. Will not our friends assist us to erect it? The best success of the institution depends much upon its having a chapel, where there may be "daily morning and evening prayer," and on holy days, the sacraments and sermons for the benefit of the boarders and others.

The "Protestant Episcopal Society for the Advancement of Christianity in South-Carolina," at *its* annual meeting, and at all the meetings, stated and extra, of its "Board of Trustees," when I was in the city, I was present. The "Charleston Protestant Episcopal Female Domestic Missionary Society," at all the meetings of its "Executive Committee," quarterly and extra, I attended. The "Episcopal Female Bible, Prayer-Book and Tract Society," at *its* Anniversary meeting, I presided, and a few tracts submitted for my approbation, have had it. The Sunday School annual celebration, usual on Whit-Monday, in Charleston, was postponed from inclemency of weather to the 19th May, and on that occasion, I was absent on a visitation.

The "Society for the relief of the Widows and Orphans of our Clergy," and "the Board of Trustees, (appointed by the Convention) for the relief of aged and infirm Clergymen," at *their* meetings, I was present. A circular to the Clergy, Vestries, and all the members of our Church, recommendatory of our "Advancement Society," by request of the Board of Trustees of the said Society, was prepared by me. I have written for publication, a preface to the New Week's Preparation," an old, very generally approved, and formerly much used work, inviting the attention of the young members of our Church to the same, which has become scarce, and has been re-printed in this city by that worthy brother member Mr. A. E. Miller, also, a Charge to the Clergy, in obedience to the Canon, and in superintending the publication of the "Gospel Messenger," some time has monthly, or more properly weekly, been occupied. Each diocese has its periodical, (made almost



indispensable by Canon 48,) a medium of communication between the officers and members of the diocese, and between the several dioceses, and an instrument capable of great usefulness. May I not then reasonably ask of the members of the Convention, and of the Church in general, in meeting the expenses of this publication, assistance not as a gift, but by becoming subscribers to it? The information it diffuses is such as every Churchman ought to have, and be interested in seeking. In our periodical we have narrated the doings in other dioceses, but sparingly indulged in comments on them.

For Missions within South-Carolina, there has been placed in my hands, small sums from nine Congregations, viz. St. Paul's, (Radcliffeborough;) Prince George's, Edgefield; St. Philip's, St. John's on the Island; St. John's, (Berkley;) All Saints, Columbia and Pineville; also from some members of the Church, (persons of color,) and with this assistance, Missionary services have been had at Lancaster Court-House, by Rev. Mr. Lee; at St. James', Goose-creek, by Rev. P. Gadsden, and Rev. Mr. Babbitt; at Christ Church, by Rev. Mr. Babbitt; at Newberry and St. Matthews, by Rev. Mr. Young, and at various points by several clergymen, the Rail-Road charge alone being paid. The Rev. Mr. Swait has engaged to officiate at the Court-House, and one or more other places in Darlington district. The Bank book for "South-Carolina Missions," which sets forth the receipts, payments and balance, is on the table, subject to the inspection of the members of the Convention. The expenditures incident to the Episcopal office, during the year, amounted to \$1,483 65½, leaving in my hands, from the salary, a balance of \$16 34½. The account is placed on the table for inspection.

The distance of my several journeys is 3,824 miles. The number of letters received by me is 294.

This statement has been brief to avoid trespassing on the time of the Convention—the details of the visitations, and other particulars can be read in "the Gospel Messenger," where they were published from time to time.

In the diocese of Florida, (having obtained the consent of the Bishop,) I held divine service at Tallahassee, assisting the Rector; at Monticello, at the Cross-Roads, and at the plantation of Mr. O. H. Gadsden, in all 24 times, preached 12 times, administered the Holy Communion three times, baptized 52 children, and administered Confirmation to 2 persons, the Bishop having requested me to do so. The names of the baptized, sponsors names, &c. have been recorded in the Register of St. Philip's Church, Charleston. My report is ended. Of your hearty concurrence in this concluding sentiment, I am sure. "In all our works begun, continued, and ended in faith, may we glorify God's holy name, and finally by his mercy obtain everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord." Amen.

Dr. Mitchell asked, and obtained leave of absence the remainder of the session.

The Convention proceeded to elect a Committee on the Episcopal School. The vote was taken by orders, and the Rev. Mr. Campbell appointed Teller for the Clergy, and Mr. William Jervey for the Laity.

The Tellers for the Standing Committee reported the following gentlemen as elected, viz :

The Rev. C. Hanckel, D. D.	Dr. I. M. Campbell,
" P. Trapier,	Jas. H. Ladson,
" P. T. Gervais,	C. G. Memminger,
" P. T. Keith,	H. D. Lesesne, and
" J. S. Hanckel,	E. R. Laurens.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. McElheran,

*Resolved*, That the Sexton of St. Michael's Church be paid the usual sum for his attendance on the Convention.

On motion of the same,

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Convention be returned to the Organist of St. Michael's Church for her acceptable services.

The Tellers reported the following gentlemen as elected Delegates to the General Convention.

The Rev. C. Hanckel, D. D.	C. G. Memminger,
" P. Trapier,	J. H. Tucker,
" T. J. Young,	F. M. Weston, and
" J. R. Walker,	Lewis Morris.

The Committee on the admission of New Churches reported as follows :

The Special Committee, appointed to examine the applications from certain Churches, to be received into connection with this Convention, respectfully Report, that the application from " Zion Church, Richland District," being, in every respect, conformable to the requisitions of the 12th article of the Constitution, they recommend that the request of the same be granted. With respect to the application from Laurens, inasmuch as no such mention is made of their means or prospects for the support of a minister, as is required by said article of the Constitution ; and further, that one Warden alone appears to have been elected,—whereas the said article speaks of Wardens, they recommend that the said application be not accepted.

In relation to the application from Grace Church, Charleston, they recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be not agreed to, said application being considered defective, because of its being unaccompanied by any evidence of the consent of the major number of the Parochial Clergy of this city. All which is respectfully submitted.

PETER J. SHAND, *Chairman*.

Zion Church, Richland, was received into union with the Convention.

The case of the Church of the Epiphany, Laurens, was laid on the table, while the application of Grace Church, Charleston, was under discussion.

After Prayers, by the Bishop, adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

*Saturday, February 14th, 1846.*

The Convention met according to adjournment. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Shindler. A Sermon on the claims of the Israelites to the favorable consideration of the Church was preached by the Rev. I. P. Labagh, Missionary to the Jews.

After Divine Service, the roll was called, and a quorum found present.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and amended.

The names of members absent on preceding days were called.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the application from Grace Church, Charleston, and the Church of the Epiphany, Laurens, be referred back to the Committee on the reception of New Churches.

The Committee on unfinished business reported as follows :

"The Committee on unfinished business respectfully report : That they have examined the Journal for 1845, and find

1st. That the report of a "Committee on a plan of Missions" was laid upon the table. [See Journal 1844, pp. 15 and 16. Journal 1845, p. 18.]

2d. That a resolution requesting the Bishop to ordain Deacons under the sixth Canon of the General Convention of 1844, was also laid upon the table. [See page 21.]

3d. That a proposed amendment of the third Article of the Constitution was recommended to this Convention." [See page 21.]

In behalf of the Committee,

THOMAS JOHN YOUNG, *Chairman*.

The Treasurer of the Fund for aged and infirm Clergymen reported as follows :

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*Fund for the Relief of aged and infirm Clergymen, in account current with Jas. R. PRINGLE, Treasurer.*

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1845. June 7	To paid the Rev. Andrew Fowler (by resolution of the Trustees, passed 5th inst.) -	\$100 00	1845. Feb. 14	By Balance brought forward, "Collection at Trinity Church, Abbeville, received from the Rev. A. H. Cornish, -	\$501 49
August 1	" The Rev. Andrew Fowler, balance agreeable to resolution, passed 5th June, -	100 00	"	" at St. Paul's Church, Pendleton, received from the Rev. Mr. Potter, -	5
October 1	" Miller & Browne's bill for printing circulars, -	4 00	May 13	" at St. John's Church, John's Island, received from Rev. T. J. Young, -	12 75
			Nov. 8	" at St. Philip's Church, received from Mr. Henry Tresscot, -	15 00
			" 9	" at the Church at Claremont, Stateburg, received through Dr. Anderson, -	113 85
			"	" at St. Paul's Church, Radcliffeboro', received from Dr. Hanchel, -	26 00
			"	" at St. Michael's Church, received from Rev. Paul Trapier, -	22 40
			"	" at Trinity Church, Society Hill, received through Mr. H. Tresscot, -	71 00
			"	" at St. John's Chapel, in Hampstead, -	2 00
			1846. Feb. 12	" at the Church in All Saints Parish, Waccamaw, received from Rev. A. Glennie, -	2 00
			"	" at St. Helena Church, at St. Helena Island, received from Rev. D. McCherron, -	32 92
To Balance,	-	612 41			12 00
		\$816 41			\$816 41
		\$816 41		By Balance in Treasurer's hands, -	\$612 41

Charleston, Feb. 13, 1846.

J. R. PRINGLE, Treasurer.



Mr. T. B. Clarkson presented a certificate, and took his seat as a Delegate from Zion Church, Richland.

A certificate was presented and approved in favor of Mr. Edward Croft, as Delegate from Christ Church, Greenville.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the resolution on page 25 of the Journal of 1843, viz: "That funds not wanted for current use be invested by the Treasurer in the names of all the members of the Board, in Stocks of the General, or State Government, or of the City of Charleston," be repealed, and that the Treasurer of the Fund for aged and infirm Clergymen be allowed, under the direction of the Trustees, to invest the funds temporarily in such Stocks, as shall to them seem expedient.

On motion of Mr. Laurens,

*Resolved*, To amend the *fifth* section of the *third* Rule of Order, by striking out in the first line the word *three*, and inserting the word *two*.

Mr. Laurens called up the subject of the amendment of the Constitution from the Journal of last year's proceedings, page 21, viz:

"Art. III. Sec. 4. No Deacon ordained under the provisions of the sixth Canon of the General Convention of 1844, shall in any case be entitled to a seat, or vote in this Convention, any thing in the second and third sections of this Article to the contrary notwithstanding." And, "That Sections 4, 5 and 6, be numbered 5, 6 and 7."

The vote being taken by Orders, resulted as follows:

Of the Clergy, Ayes fifteen (15.) Noes thirteen (13.) Of the Laity, Ayes eleven (11.) Noes eleven (11.) So the amendment was lost.

The Tellers on the Committee of the School, reported the following gentlemen as elected, viz:

The Rev. P. Trapier,	C. G. Memminger,
" C. Hanckel, D. D.	J. K. Sass,
" C. Wallace,	Edward McCrady.
" Dr. I. M. Campbell,	

They also reported that there was no choice as to one Clerical member.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot, and elected the Rev. P. T. Keith.

The resolution of the Rev. Mr. Young, on page 21 of the Journal of last year, was then called up for consideration, viz:

*"Resolved*, That the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese be, and is hereby respectfully requested by this Convention, to admit from time to time, as circumstances may seem to render it desirable, to the Holy Order of Deacons, such persons, and under such restrictions as are contemplated by the sixth Canon of the General Convention of 1844."

Which it was moved to amend, by adding the words, "provided such conditions do not conflict with the Constitution of this Diocese."

The resolution and amendment were laid on the table.

On motion,

*Resolved*, To reconsider the amendment to the Constitution, negatived before.

It was moved again to adopt it, and the vote resulted as follows:

Of the Clergy, Ayes seventeen (17). Noes eleven (11.) Of the Laity, Ayes fourteen (14). Noes five (5.) Two-thirds not being obtained in its favor, the amendment was again lost.

On motion of Mr. Memminger,

*Resolved*, To recommend to the next Convention to adopt the same amendment to the Constitution.

The Finance Committee reported as follows :

DR.		BISHOP'S CONVENTION FUND.— <i>Condensed Statement.</i>					
1846.	To	Investments,	-	-	-	-	\$550 00
		Incidental Expenses,	-	-	-	-	28 23
		Balance in Treasurer's hands for next year,	-	-	-	-	5 10
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							\$583 33
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1845-'46.	By	Note collected,	-	-	-	-	\$200 00
		Interest and Dividends collected,	-	-	-	-	364 63
		Balance from last year,	-	-	-	-	18 70
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							\$583 33

Examined and found correct.

February 14, 1846.

Signed,

JAMES R. PRINGLE,  
GEO. W. EGLESTON.

Mr. Laurens offered the following preamble and resolutions :

Whereas, the General Convention of 1841, passed the following resolutions, viz :

" 1. That the Church feels a deep interest in the recent movements in behalf of the Jews, and in the faithful zeal of our mother Church of England in the same cause, and believes that the time has come when a similar movement may be made by our own Church, through the agency of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.

" 2. That this Convention invite the early attention of the Board of Missions to the subject of the Jews, especially of such as reside in the United States, and to mature and adopt such measures as may be deemed proper for bringing them to the unity of the faith, the bosom of the Church of Christ, and the saving knowledge of the Messiah."

And whereas the House of Bishops in 1844, again earnestly requested the Board of Missions to carry into effect the wish of the Church before expressed, without further delay.

And whereas the Domestic Committee have appointed the Rev. Isaac P. Labagh, a Presbyterian of our Church, to labor in this cause in the city of New-York, where there are about 12,000 Jews residing, and have recommended the erection of a Chapel for the conducting of Divine Service, according to the plan of our Mother Church in London, and now appeals to all the Churches to furnish the means necessary to carry into effect the benevolent designs of the Church towards the ancient people of God. Therefore,

*Resolved*, That this Convention cordially recommend to all the Clergy and Parishes in connection therewith, to take up annually hereafter, a collection on Good Friday for the support of this Mission, and thus send up our prayers and offerings *together* as a memorial for them before the Lord.

On motion, the Rev. Mr. Labagh was invited to favor the Convention with a statement on the subject. The resolution was then passed unanimously.

After Prayers, by the Bishop, adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M. on Monday next.

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*Monday, February 16th, 1846.*

The Convention met according to adjournment. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Downing.

The Convention was called to order, and a quorum found present.

The Minutes of Saturday were read and approved.

The names of members absent on preceding days were called.

The Treasurer of the "P. E. Society for the Advancement of Christianity in South-Carolina," reported as follows :

*The BOARD OF TRUSTEES of the Protestant Episcopal Society, for the  
Funds instituted by the Convention, under the names of the*

DR. PERMANENT FUND.—(T. GADSDEN'S ACCOUNT.)

1845.	To Balance due the Treasurer,	\$10 56
	Common Fund, for 3-4ths of \$1,133 77, the Interest and Dividends received,	850 32
	Incidental Expenses,	75 43
	Balance in Treasurer's hands, and paid to new Treasurer,	847 46
		<u>\$1,783 77</u>

DR. COMMON FUND.—(T. GADSDEN'S Account )

1845.	To Cash paid Bishop of the Diocese, 3 quarters Salary to 1st July,	\$1,125 00
	Incidental Expenses,	54 50
	Balance paid new Treasurer,	1,899 98
		<u>\$3,079 48</u>

DR. PERMANENT FUND.—(T. G. SIMONS' Account.)

1845.	To Investments,	\$800 00
	Incidental Expenses,	10 25
	Balance,	42 21
		<u>\$852 46</u>

DR. COMMON FUND.—(T. G. SIMONS' Account.)

1845.	To Cash paid Investments,	\$2,000 00
	" " Bishop, one quarter's salary to 1st Oct, 1845,	375 00
	Incidental Expenses,	3 88
		<u>\$2,378 88</u>



*Advancement of Christianity in South-Carolina, having in Trust the Bishop's Permanent and Common Funds, submit their Report :*

## PERMANENT FUND.

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1845.	By Cash in full of Principal of Bond of C. Kellers, - - - -	\$650 00
	“ for Interest and Dividends, - - - -	1,133 77
		<u>\$1,783 77</u>

THOMAS GADSDEN, *Treasurer.*

## COMMON FUND:

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1845.	By Balance from last Account, - - - -	\$1,139 16
	Cash from the following Churches, viz :	
	Trinity Church, Grahamville, 2 years, - -	\$30 00
	St. Helena, St. Helena Island, - - - -	20 00
	St. Helena, Beaufort, - - - -	35 00
	Church at Claremont, - - - -	20 00
	Grace Church, Camden, - - - -	10 00
	Prince George, Winyaw, - - - -	50 00
	St. Andrew's Parish, - - - -	10 00
	St. John's, Colleton, - - - -	50 00
	Trinity Church Columbia, - - - -	30 00
	Prince Frederick, Pee Dee, - - - -	5 00
	Christ Church, Wilton, - - - -	5 00
	Pineville, Upper St. John's, - - - -	10 00
	St. David's, Cheraw, - - - -	10 00
	Prince William's Parish, - - - -	10 00
	Christ Church, Greenville, - - - -	5 00
	St. John's Berkley, - - - -	50 00
	Edisto Island, - - - -	40 00
	Trinity Church, Society Hill, - - - -	5 00
	St. Philip's, Charleston, - - - -	250 00
	St. Michael's, Charleston, - - - -	300 00
	St. Thomas' Parish, - - - -	20 00
	St. Bartholomew's Parish, - - - -	25 00
	St. Peter's, Charleston, - - - -	100 00
		1,090 00
	By Permanent Fund for 3-4ths of Income received, - - - -	850 32
		<u>\$3,079 48</u>

THOMAS GADSDEN, *Treasurer.*

Examined and found correct,

(Signed)

PAUL T. GERVAIS,  
THOMAS WARING,  
N. R. MIDDLETON.

August 6th, 1845.

## PERMANENT FUND.

CR.

1845.	By Balance from late Treasurer, - - - -	\$847 46
	Donation from St. Stephen's, Pineville, - - - -	5 00
		<u>\$852 46</u>

THOS. G. SIMONS, Jr. *Treasurer.*

NOTE.—Amount of Bishop's Permanent Fund, \$20,246 06.

## COMMON FUND.

CR.

1845.	By Balance from late Treasurer, - - - -	\$1,899 98
	Cash from St. Paul's, Radcliffeboro, for 1844 & '45, - - - -	77 63
	Balance due Treasurer, - - - -	401 27
		<u>\$2,378 88</u>

THOMAS G. SIMONS, Jr., *Treasurer.*Examined and found correct,  
February 6th, 1846.

(Signed)

PAUL T. GERVAIS,  
N. R. MIDDLETON.

*Resolved*, That the Chairman of the Finance Committee be instructed to have the security now given by the Treasurer of the Bishop's Permanent and Common Funds made to include also the Convention's Fund, raised for the increase of the Bishop's Permanent Fund.

The Committee on New Churches reported as follows:

The Special Committee, to whom was recommitted the applications from Grace Church, Charleston, and from the Church of the Epiphany, Laurens, praying for admission to connection with this Convention, respectfully Report, That in reference to Grace Church, they having received information which, in their opinion, removes the ground of objection stated in their former report, do now recommend that said application be granted. The information referred to was contained in the following note.

A majority of the Clergymen of the Parishes of St. Philip's and St. Michael's, upon being applied to for their assent to the application of Grace Church for admission to a connection with the Convention, stated that they did not consider their assent at all requisite for the admission of a Church into this Convention.

With respect to the application from Laurens, they have also obtained information which supplies the deficiency mentioned in their former report, and they do now therefore recommend that the request of said applicants be agreed to. All which is respectfully submitted.

PETER J. SHAND, *Chairman*.

The Church of the Epiphany, Laurens, was admitted into union with the Convention.

Dr. A. Bailey appeared, and took his seat as Delegate from that Church.

The Rev. Dr. Hanckel moved that the application of Grace Church, Charleston, be laid on the table.

The vote being taken by Orders, resulted as follows, viz:—Of the *Clergy*—Ayes, six (6); Noes, twenty-two (22.) Of the *Laity*—Ayes, five (5); Noes, nine (9); Divided, two (2.) So the motion to lay on the table was lost.

It was then moved that Grace Church, Charleston, be admitted into union with this Convention. The vote being taken by orders, resulted as follows, viz:—Of the *Clergy*—Ayes, sixteen (16); Noes, twelve (12.) Of the *Laity*—Ayes ten (10); Noes, four (4); Divided, one (1.) So Grace Church was admitted.

On motion of the Treasurer,

*Resolved*, That the quota of the several Churches to the expenses of the Convention be doubled *for one year*.

Mr. Ladson moved the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the third section of the third Article of the Constitution be amended, by striking out in the second line, the words, "*under the sanction of the Ecclesiastical authority of;*" and inserting the word '*in.*'

The vote being taken by Orders, resulted as follows, viz:—Of the *Clergy*—Ayes, eight (8); Noes, nineteen (19.) Of the *Laity*—Ayes,

three (3); Noes, nine (9); Divided, one (1.) So the motion to amend the Constitution was lost in both Orders.

Mr. Laurens moved, *That* the third section of the *third Article* of the Constitution be amended, so as to read as follows:—

“Every other Clergyman of the Church, being a Missionary, officiating under the sanction of the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese; or a Chaplain of any benevolent, or other public institution; or an instructor of youth in any seminary of learning, constituted by civil or Ecclesiastical authority, in this Diocese; or a Chaplain in the Army or Navy of the United States; or being prevented by age and infirmity from exercising his clerical functions,—shall be entitled to all the privileges of a member of this Convention, with the exception of the right to vote in matters involving the temporal concerns of the Churches. The provisions of the second Section of this Article shall also apply to this Section.”

But the motion was lost.

It was then

*Resolved*, That eight hundred (800) copies of the Journal, &c. be printed, as usual.

After Prayers, by the Bishop, and the Episcopal Benediction, the Convention adjourned.

C. E. GADSDEN, *ex-officio President*.

Attest,

C. WALLACE, *Secretary*.

## PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

*Arranged according to the Order of the List of Parishes prefixed to this Journal.*

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### *St. Philip's Church, Charleston.*

The Rev. C. E. Gadsden, Rector.

The Rev. J. Barnwell Campbell, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—36 white children; 21 colored; total, 57. Marriages, 8 white; 4 colored; total, 12. Buried, 17 white; 8 colored; total, 25. Communicants, 286 white; about 140 colored; total, 426. Non Communicants, 320 white. Children under 14, 236 white. Families, 180. Children catechised on thirty-two days, 70 white; 25 colored; total, 95. Confirmed by the Bishop, 10 white; 8 colored; total, 18. Number of Teachers, 16 white; 16 colored; total, 32. Number of Scholars, 79 white; 80 colored; total, 159. Public worship, St. Philip's Church, 52 Sundays; 128 other days; total, 235.

REMARKS.—The amount of Alms at the Holy Communion, on 18 occasions in public and 4 in private was \$751 21 $\frac{3}{4}$ . Thank-offerings from ladies, \$7. The amount collected *statedly* for Missions, Diocesan. Domestic and Foreign, was \$778 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ , and for the same and kindred objects, by special collections, \$384 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ ; total, 1,162 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ . As to other contributions for the relief of spiritual and temporal necessities, and as to "week-day services," "catechising," and other particulars, the *remarks* are substantially the same as in our report to the Convention in 1845, and therefore need not be now repeated. Two or three families have, during the year, connected themselves with our congregation, and several have removed from it.

### *St. James' Parish, Santee.*

The Rev. Nathaniel Hyatt, Minister.

Baptisms—5 colored adults; 40 colored children; total, 45. Communicants, 15 white; 49 colored; total, 64. Non-Communicants, 33 white; children under fourteen, 25 white. Families, 15 white. Families belonging also to other congregations, all. Colored children catechised weekly, 130. Public worship, St. James' Church, 17 Sundays; 2 other days; total, 19. On plantations, with congregations of negroes, 51 times.

REMARKS.—This report embraces the usual term for parochial duty in the Parish, since the 1st February last, when the present minister became connected with it. The re opening of the Church, after a suspension of its regular services for several years, has awakened a lively interest in its future welfare. The Parish, at a considerable expense, are repairing the Church, which is one of the oldest in the Diocese.



*St. Andrew's Parish.*

The Rev. J. S. Hanckel, Rector.

Baptisms—2 colored adults. Marriages, 6 colored. Burials, 1 colored. Communicants, 27 white. Non-Communicants, 32 white. Children under fourteen, 50 white. Families, 23 white.

REMARKS.—Service in the Parish Church every Lord's day, from the second Sunday in November to the second in May, when the weather permitted—also, on Christmas day and Good Friday. Two chapels for negroes have been erected in this Parish the past year. This class continue to receive instruction at the Church, and on several plantations.

*St. Bartholomew's Parish.*

The Rev. J. H. Fowles, Rector.

Baptisms—8 white children; 2 colored adults; 9 colored children; total, 19. Marriages, 1 white; 2 colored; total, 3. Burials, 4 white; 2 colored; total, 6. Communicants, 62 white; 25 colored; total, 87. Non-Communicants, about 100. Sunday School Teachers, 10; Scholars, 45 white; 85 colored; total, 130.

REMARKS.—Public worship held on Sundays, either at Edmundsbury Church, or at the Walterborough Chapel. Besides which, there has been a service on Wednesday evenings at the last mentioned building, during the summer months. Two catechists have been employed, with the consent of the Ecclesiastical authority, and under the supervision of the Rector, among the colored people. There have been unquestionable proofs of a growing interest in the instruction of the slaves, both among them and their owners. It is the earnest hope of Christians, in our midst, that this good work may not be discontinued. At the close of the time, for which this report is presented, the Rector tendered his resignation to the Vestry of the Parish, which was duly accepted. Although called to labor elsewhere, he leaves his late flock with unfeigned regret, and has good reason to believe that the best wishes and prayers of the Parishioners accompany him.

*Parish of St. John's Berkley.*

The Rev. Cranmore Wallace, Rector.

Baptisms—1 white adult; 65 colored; total, 66. Children, 6 white; 69 colored; total, 75. Marriages, 1 white; 2 colored; total, 3. Burials, 5 white; 1 colored; total 6. Communicants, 47 white; 218 colored; total, 265. Non-Communicants, 100 white; colored, not ascertained. Children under fourteen, 113 white; colored, not ascertained. Families, 21 white; colored, not ascertained. Families belonging also to other congregations, 25 white; colored, none. Children catechised on alternate Sundays, in summer, 12 white; colored, in great numbers

on plantations. Confirmed by the Bishop, 2 white in Charleston. Sunday School Teachers, 4 white. Number of Scholars, 12 white; 10 colored; total, 22. Public worship, Biggin Church, 11 Sundays; total, 11; Strawberry Church, 18 Sundays; 2 other days; total, 20; Whiteville Church, 29 Sundays; 15 other days; total 66; Cordesville Church, 9 Sundays; total, 18; Pinopolis Church, 1 Sunday; 14 other days; total, 15; On plantations, 92 Sundays; 58 other days; total, 150; other places, 5 Sundays; 5 other days; total, 12; whole number of times, 292.

REMARKS.—Of the above services, 32 at Church, and 27 on plantations, were performed by Lay Readers, under the direction of the Rector. In several instances also, he was assisted in the services for the benefit of negroes, by a Lay Reader reading the prayers. Two candidates for Holy Orders have pursued their studies the past year with the Pastor, under the direction of the Bishop. The requisite daily recitations have occupied, it is hoped, not unprofitably, much of his time. Sums contributed for religious and charitable purposes, including those for missions and alms, at the Communion, \$300.

*Parish of St. Thomas and St. Dennis.*

The Rev. Edward Phillips, Rector.

Baptisms—9 colored adults; 4 white children; 15 colored; total, 19. Burials, 4 white. Communicants, 19 white; 53 colored; total, 72. Non-communicants, about 60 white; colored, unknown. Children under fourteen, 50 white; colored, unknown. Families, 32 white; colored, unknown. Families belonging also to other congregations 2, Public worship, St. Thomas' Church, 13 Sundays; 1 other day; total, 14; Pompion Hill Chapel, 13 Sundays; 1 other day; total, 14. At plantations, 6 Sundays; 4 other days; total 10. Whole number of times, 38.

REMARKS.—No important change has occurred in the state of this Parish since the last report.

*Parish of St. Paul's Stono, and of St. Paul's Church, Summerville.*

The Rev. Philip Gadsden, Rector.

Baptisms—7 white children. Marriages, 2 white. Burials, 5 white. Communicants, 17 white. Non-communicants, 30 white. Children under fourteen, 42 white. Families, 19 white. Children catechised 21 days, 16 white. Public worship, St. Paul's Church, 68 times.

REMARKS.—Among the services reported, there was one held in St. James', Goose-creek, and another at the village of Totness, St. Matthew's Parish. Three of the Baptisms were performed in the Chapel at Totness.

*Parish of St. Helena, Beaufort.*

The Rev. Joseph R. Walker, Rector.

Baptisms—3 colored adults; 23 white children; 7 colored; total, 30. Marriages, 4 white; 5 colored; total, 9. Burials, 6 white. Communi-

cants, 118 white ; 61 colored ; total, 179. Non-communicants, 80 white. Children under fourteen, 178 white. Families, 61 white. Families belonging also to other congregations, 5 white. Children catechised six days, 60 white.. Sunday School Teachers, 14 white ; 15 colored ; total, 29. Number of Scholars, 70 white ; 100 colored ; total, 170. Public worship, St. Helena Church, Beaufort, 52 Sundays ; 82 other days ; total, 186.

REMARKS.—Services for the colored people have generally been held on Sunday nights, chiefly by Lay assistants. The amount of religious charities, as far as known, is as follows: To the Bishop's Fund, \$35. To " The Domestic and Foreign Missions," \$1,445 50. To Missions among the slaves, \$1,130. To education for the Ministry, \$125. In all, \$2,735 50 cents.

*Parish of Prince George, Winyaw.*

The Rev. Robert T. Howard, Rector.

Baptisms—1 colored adult ; 6 white children ; 1 colored ; total, 7. Marriages 1 colored. Communicants, 38 white ; 14 colored ; total, 52. Non-communicants, 61 white ; 8 colored ; total, 69. Children under fourteen, 53 white. Families, 37. Confirmed by the Bishop, 1 white ; 3 colored ; total, 4. Sunday School Teachers, 1 white. Number of Scholars, 12 white.

REMARKS.—Our Church is open every Sunday and Wednesday for divine service, on Sundays, twice. The children are catechised by the Rector, after Sunday School, twice a month, and the prominent festivals and fasts of the Church are observed, and a sermon on each occasion is preached.

*St. John's Church, John's Island.*

The Rev. Thomas John Young, Rector.

Baptisms—12 colored adults ; 5 white children ; 13 colored children ; total, 30. Burials, 3 white. Marriages, 1 white. Communicants, 57 white ; 400 colored ; total, 457. Non-communicants, 50 white ; colored, not known. Children under fourteen, 68 white ; colored, not known. Families, 38 white ; colored, not known. Families belonging also to other congregations, 29 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 1 white ; 77 colored. Public worship, St. John's Church, 27 Sundays ; 4 other days. Rockville, 1 Sunday—a plantation, 5 days ; whole number of times, 53.

REMARKS.—The absence of the Rector for nearly six months, will account for the small number of services reported. During the past year there has been an addition to the Communion of one white person by removal into the Parish, and sixteen colored persons. One white and one colored Communicant have died. Two colored Communicants have been expelled from the Communion.

The amount pledged and contributed by this congregation, for charitable and religious purposes, and passing through the hands of the Rector, is \$794 50. A small portion of the amount pledged remains, however, still unpaid.

The Church building has been thoroughly repaired and newly painted. The Parsonage is also undergoing repair. The cemetery, however, is



still unenclosed, and the graves of some of our dead are unprotected. This, it is trusted, will be corrected before another year has passed away. Other services have been performed by the Rector during the past summer, at Aiken, Totness, Newberry, Sullivan's Island, and Augusta, Ga.

*Prince William's Parish.*

The Rev. Stephen Elliott, Rector.

Baptisms—2 white children. Marriages, 2 white; 2 colored; total, 4. Burials, 1 white. Communicants, 28 white; 43 colored; total, 71. Non-communicants, 26 white. Children under fourteen, 40 white. Families, 21 white. Families belonging also to other congregations, 7 white. Children catechised in the Sunday School —. Sunday School Teachers, 6 white; 3 colored; total, 9. Number of Scholars, 30 white; 60 colored; total, 90. Public worship, Sheldon Church, 20 Sundays; Sheldon Chapel, 24 Sundays; 20 other days; total, 68; whole number of times, 88.

*St. Michael's Parish, Charleston.*

The Rev. Paul Trapier, Rector.

The Rev. P. Trapier Keith, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—1 white adult; 18 white children; 12 colored; total, 30. Marriages, 7 white; 3 colored; total, 10. Burials, 20 white; 5 colored; total, 25. Communicants, 274 white; 34 colored; total, 308. Non-communicants, 205 white; about 20 colored; total, 225. Children under fourteen, 197 white; about 30 colored; total, 227. Families, 159 white; 13 colored; total, 172. Families belonging also to other congregations, about 19. Children catechised 23 days, about 100 white; 40 colored; total, 140. Confirmed by the Bishop, 6 white, 2 colored; total, 8. Sunday School Teachers, 21 white. Number of Scholars, 90 white; 50 colored; total, 140. Public worship, St. Michael's, 52 Sundays, 148 other days; total, 265.

REMARKS.—We report a falling off in the numbers composing this congregation, partly because in making out a new list of it, we have omitted the names of those, who, owning pews in this Church, have not been for several years in any way, under our pastoral care; chiefly because others though, likewise, in some instances, still retaining their pews, have within the past year, become stated worshippers elsewhere. We have also been deprived, by death, of some of our most valuable Communicants. But we trust that, nevertheless, those for whose souls we are set to watch, are prospering not less than heretofore in spiritual things—would that we could discern among them the tokens of growth in grace!

The contributions during the past year have been,

At the Communion,	-	-	\$831 56
For Missions,	{ Church Offerings,	-	788 00
	{ From individuals,	-	97 00
	{ From Sunday School,	-	68 00
	{ From colored persons	-	22 70
For aged and infirm Clergymen,	-	-	71 00
" Church at Richmond, Indiana,	-	-	200 00
" Columbia Institute, Tennessee,	-	-	40 00
" Society for Advancement of Christianity in S. Carolina,	-	-	65 00



*Christ Church Parish, Wilton.*

The Rev. E. T. Walker, Rector.

Baptisms—14 colored adults ; 2 white children ; 20 colored ; total, 22. Marriages, 1 white. Burials, 1 white. Communicants, 15 white ; 130 colored ; total, 145. Non-communicants, 6 white. Families, 10 white. Public worship, 20 Sundays ; whole number of times, 60.

REMARKS.—A service for the negroes, in all, 300, is held immediately after the dismissal of the congregation every Sunday evening. Upon plantations, too distant for the negroes to attend the Church, a service is also held. Upon two of these occasions, the negroes of the adjoining places attend. There are generally in attendance, upon these services, from 50 to 90 souls. The tokens, we believe, to be decidedly good.

*Church of the Holy Trinity, Grahamville.*

The Rev. Edward Reed, Rector.

Baptisms—1 colored adult ; 4 white children ; total, 5. Marriages, 3 white ; 1 colored ; total, 4. Burials, 4 white. Communicants, 27 white ; 28 colored ; total, 55. Non-communicants, 60 white. Children under fourteen, 62 white. Families, 28 white. Families belonging also to other congregations, 4 white. Public worship, Church of the Holy Trinity, 33 Sundays : 7 other days ; whole number of times, 75.

REMARKS.—The Rector was absent during most of the summer, on account of ill health ; the Church being kept open by Lay-reading.

The Church at Grahamville is being enlarged to nearly twice its present capacity.

*Trinity Church, Edgefield Court-House.*

The Rev. C. B. Walker, Rector.

Baptisms—1 white infant ; 3 colored. Marriages, 1 white. Burials, 1 colored. Communicants, 22 white ; 2 colored. Non-communicants, 21 white. Children under fourteen, 26. Families, 14. Families connected with another congregation, 1. Children catechised on 2 days. Confirmation, 1 white ; 2 colored. Sunday School Teachers, 4. Scholars, 8 white ; 10 colored. Public worship, 25 Sundays ; 23 other days ; whole number of times 78.

This report is, of services, beginning 15th June 1845, at which time I entered upon the duties of the Parish.

*St. John's Church, Winnsboro'.*

The Rev. Josiah Obear, Missionary.

Baptisms—3 white children. Burials, 1. Communicants, 22 white ; 4 colored ; total, 26. Non-communicants, 32 white ; 6 colored ; total, 38. Children under fourteen, 33 white ; 6 colored ; total, 39. Families, 18 white ; 3 colored ; total, 21. Families belonging also to other congregations, 3 white. Children catechised 6 days, 12 white. Sunday School Teachers, 4 white. Scholars, 20 white. Public worship, St.

John's Church, 43 Sundays; 6 other days; total, 83; Cedar Creek Chapel, 3 Sundays; other places, 4 Sundays.

REMARKS.—The amount paid for missionary purposes of the Church, has been \$51 85. Communion alms, \$33 21. Total, \$85 06.

*Trinity Church, Abbeville.*

The Rev. A. H. Cornish, Rector.

Baptisms—16 colored adults; 2 white children; 1 colored; total, 19. Marriages, 2 white. Burials, 4 white. Communicants, 16 white. Non-communicants, 30 white; colored, not known. Children under fourteen, 30 white; colored, not known. Families, 20 white. Children catechised 40 Sundays, 6 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 2 white. Public worship, Trinity Church, 39 Sundays; 23 other days; other places in Abbeville district, 10 Sundays; out of it, 2 Sundays. Trinity Church, colored congregation, 34 Sundays; on plantations, 10 times; total, 44. Whole number of times 130.

REMARKS.—The prospects of this Parish are truly encouraging.

*Church of the Messiah, North Santee.*

The Rev. John H. Cornish, Rector.

Baptisms—2 colored adults; 1 white child; 19 colored children; total, 22. Confirmed by the Bishop, 2 white; 44 colored; total, 46. Communicants, 13 white, 9 of which belong also to other congregations; colored, 42; total, 55. Marriages, 1 colored. Burials, 1 colored. Public worship, at the Church of the Messiah, for whites, Sundays, A. M. 19; other days, 3; for colored, 8 A. M. 16; P. M. 17; other days, 8 A. M. 2. On plantations, for colored people, Sundays 1; other days, 4; total, 62.

REMARKS.—The Lord's Supper has been administered 8 times; alms, \$27 6. Collection for the Advancement of Christianity in S. Carolina, \$8 12.

*St. Thaddæus Church, Aiken.*

The Rev. A. E. Ford, Rector.

Baptisms—2 white adults; 5 white children; 9 colored; total, 16. Burials, 5 white. Communicants, 10 white; 3 colored; total, 13. Non-communicants, about 16 white; 8 colored; total, 22. Children under fourteen, 18 white; colored, uncertain. Families, 11, of whom, 5 belong partly to other congregations. Children, about 10. Catechised 5 times. Sunday School Teachers, 4 white. Scholars, 18. Public worship, (from January 25th) 98 times in the Church; once in a private house; total, 99.

REMARKS.—Service has been held on the principal Festivals and Fasts. The colored people, by the assistance of a Rev. brother, were instructed during the summer, in a separate service held for them on Sunday afternoon. A handsome pair of cups has been presented to the Communion by a lady; and chiefly through the kind exertions of another lady. A sum has been collected sufficient to provide the windows of the East end and South side of the Church with blinds. A stove has also been put up.

*Immanuel Church, Landsford, Chester.*

The Rev. R. D. Shindler, Rector.

Baptisms—1 white adult; 1 white child; 1 colored; total, 3. Married, 1. Burials, 3 white; 1 colored; total, 4. Communicants, 14 white; 9 colored; total, 23. Non-communicants, 14 white; 2 colored; total, 16. Children under fourteen, 22 white; 6 colored; total, 28. Families, 12 white; 6 colored; total, 18. Children catechised 12 times in public; in private, as opportunities offered. Service was held as follows: At Immanuel Church, (opened for the first time on the 26th Sunday after Trinity) 5 times. At the School-house, 30 times; Republican Meeting-house, 13 times; Richardson Meeting-house, 5 times. These and 8 other times, at places near Immanuel Church, make, in all, for the benefit of that congregation, 61 services. At York Court-house, once; at a School-house in York, 5 times; in Spartanburg, 4 times; at Laurens Court-house, once; at other places, 8 times. For colored persons, 27 times.

*St. John's Chapel, Hampstead.*

The Rev. Alexander W. Marshall, Missionary.

Baptisms—2 white adults; 1 colored; total, 3; 11 white children; 3 colored; total, 14. Marriages, 9. Burials, 28. Communicants, 35 white; 26 colored; total, 61. Non-communicants, uncertain. Children under fourteen, uncertain. Families, uncertain. Families belonging also to other congregations, uncertain. Children catechised 12 days ——. Confirmed by the Bishop, 6 white; 6 colored; total, 12. Sunday School Teachers, 5 white. Scholars, 62 white; 27 colored; total, 89. Public Worship, St. John's Chapel, 52 Sundays; 67 other days; total, 119.

REMARKS.—Divine service has been held twice on every Sunday, and once on every Saturday; also, once on the Circumcision, Epiphany, Ash-Wednesday, once a day during Passion Week. Easter Monday and Tuesday, Whit-Tuesday, and two Thanksgiving days. Twice on Christmas day. The Lord's Supper has been administered on the third Sunday of every month, on Easter Sunday and Christmas day. The Sunday Schools for white and colored have been regularly held. Catechetical instruction has been given to white and colored adults on two evenings of every week. One Communicant has died, and one left the city.

## MISSIONARY AND OTHER REPORTS.

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### *Christ Church Parish.*

The Rev. P. T. Babbitt, Missionary.

Baptisms—1 white infant; 1 colored; total 2. Communicants 16 white; 7 colored; total, 23. In this Parish, the Lord's Supper has been administered 5 times; in the Church on Sullivan's Island, once, and once in Goose-creek.

REMARKS.—During the past year I have officiated in St. James' Church, Goose-creek; Grace Church, Sullivan's Island; Christ Church, Christ Church Parish; and St. Stephen's Chapel, in this city. By the weather, or by sickness, I have been prevented from leaving the city to attend to my duties in the country 4 or 5 times; and in the month of December, was absent from them 3 days. On most of the holy days, I have aided some of the Clergy in this city, and in several places, have held occasional services for the blacks,

### Report of the Rev. E. H. Downing.

The undersigned, since his ordination on Trinity Sunday last, has preached as follows :—Once at sea, on board the packet ship Sutton; 3 times in the Diocese of South-Carolina; once in that of Maine; and 21 times in that of Massachusetts. He has also frequently assisted in the performance of divine service.

### Report of the Rev. Charles P. Elliott.

Baptisms—19 colored adults; 2 white children; 115 colored; total, 136. Marriages, 3 colored. Burials, 1 white. In 1845, there are 52 Sundays; of these, I officiated 48, and omitted 4; three Sundays I was prevented from attending the sanctuary by bodily indisposition, and one by the extreme inclemency of the weather. I officiated regularly to the colored people at three different stations. At a building appropriated to public worship in Clarendon; at one similarly appropriated in Claremont, and at the Church of Col. J. J. Moore, in Claremont. Besides regular services rendered at these places, I officiated 7 Sundays at Bradford Springs, 4 at St. Marks, 2 at Stateburg, 3 at Charleston, and 2 in Orangeburg district, and on 5 week days. The whole number of times that I held divine service is 129; and the whole number of miles that I travelled to fulfil my ministerial engagements is 763. I administered the sacrament of the Lord's Supper occasionally at the different places where I preached. The object to which my endeavors were chiefly directed this year, "through Christ, which strengtheneth me,"



was the permanent establishment of missions to the colored people in the Parishes of Clarendon and Claremont; and I humbly think, that by the blessing of God, this object is effected. In Clarendon, (where a Lay-catechist has been employed for thirteen months, who extends his labors also to the plantations of Col. J. J. Moore,) the erection of an Episcopal Church for the exclusive accommodation of the colored people is now in progress, and in Claremont, active and efficient measures are being adopted for the erection of Churches adapted to the number and wants of the people, and for the engagement of an Episcopal Clerical Missionary or Lay-catechist, soon to be employed in this important field of labor. At Col. J. J. Moore's, on one occasion of public worship, I baptized as many as 58 colored children. The success, under God, which has attended the labors of Mr. Jacob Welch, the catechist, has greatly encouraged and strengthened the hopes of those who are interested in this work of faith and love. With a view to ascertain the improvement of these people in catechetical instruction, I usually examined them on the catechism from time to time, and I testify that they have now attained as high a degree of religious knowledge as time and circumstances would admit, and such as far exceeds my most sanguine expectations. At Bradford Springs, the congregation has neither diminished nor increased. It consists chiefly of those Episcopalians from the low country, who make this region of country their summer retreat.

In 1845, "the Lord being my helper," I endeavored, as faithfully as I could, to perform as full a measure of ministerial duty as circumstances would permit; and my services for this, like the former year, have been rendered without any pecuniary compensation, being entirely gratuitous.

Report of the Rev. J. Huntington, dated at Rome, Dec. 2d, 1845.

I take occasion, now that the time of the year reminds me of the duty of making my annual report to my Bishop, of letting you know at the same time, of my state, and how I am. My health has continued pretty steadily to improve, since our first arrival in Rome more than a year ago. We were five months domiciliated at Cava, a beautiful valley about 25 miles from Naples, where this year there was quite a colony of English. It was here that I performed the only services that I have to report, by administering or causing to be administered in my house the Holy Communion every Sunday morning for three months, according to the American Ritual. I usually officiated myself—and generally there were five persons present and communicating, sometimes six. On one occasion last winter, I assisted in the administration of the Communion at the English Chapel in Rome. These are the only services performed since my last report. I trust that my time has not been unprofitably employed with a view to future usefulness in the Church since I came to Italy. I have endeavored to draw my care and studies that way, towards which the sacred vows of ordination, oblige me, and I hope I have in a measure succeeded in preparing myself better to discharge the duties of the ministry, whenever it shall please God to permit me to resume them. I do not cease to feel that lively interest in the black people, which a winter in South-Carolina excited in my mind.—The task of ameliorating their condition, as well temporal as eternal belong only to the Church. She alone can safely undertake, she alone

can effectually perform it. Oh! that she may not shrink from it. One thing I can say for certain, that the blacks are quite as well off, temporally, and better instructed in religion, than the most prosperous peasantry I have seen in Europe.

*Christ Church Parish.*

The Rev. J. M. Fell, Missionary.

First Sunday in January, officiated once for the whites, and instructed the negroes. Thursday, 9th January, being appointed a day of General Thanksgiving, divine service was held, and a Sermon appropriate to the occasion preached. Sunday, 12th inst. performed the same duties as before stated.

*Mission at Wateree.*

The Rev. J. M. Fell, Missionary.

I arrived at this mission on the 23d January. Saturday, 25th, catechised the negro children on Mr. Wm. Clarkson's place. The following day performed divine worship, and preached morning and afternoon. On the following Tuesday, again catechised the negro children on Mr. Wm. C's place; and on Wednesday evening, lectured to a large assemblage of colored adults. On Friday, at Mr. John Clarkson's place, I catechised a well instructed and very interesting class of negro children, who sung several of the chants, and as I was informed, were able to sing them all, and lectured also to a large number of adults. On Sunday, 2nd February, performed divine worship, and preached twice at the Lower Chapel, and after evening service, married a couple on the evening of the following Wednesday, which was Ash Wednesday; lectured and baptized 4 children at Mr. Wm. C's Highland place.

*Zion Church, Richland District.*

The Rev. Carter Page, Minister.

Baptisms—3 white adults; 7 colored; total, 10. Children, 1 white; 20 colored; total, 21. Marriages, 1 white; 4 colored; total, 5. Burials, 2 colored. Communicants, 9 white; 100 colored. Children under fourteen, 16 white; colored, not known. Families, 10 white. children catechised, 20 white; 50 colored. Sunday School Teachers, 5 white. Public worship, 35 Sundays. Services for the servants on the four plantations respectively, once per week; whole number of services, 65 public; 120 private; total, 185.

REMARKS.—I have been in connection with Zion Church about eight months, and the Church edifice has been completed since my connection with the congregation. There is an extremely interesting field of labor among the colored people, and an encouraging prospect of building up a very good congregation among the whites.

*Mar's Bluff, Darlington District.*

Report of the late Missionary, Rev. J. Swart.

Baptisms—2 white adults. Confirmed, 2. Communicants admitted, 2. An average attendance of 51 whites upon 28 occasions of public worship; of 59 blacks upon 18 occasions. Catechetical instruction given

regularly before morning service to about 12 children. Distributed 4 Bibles ; 7 Prayer-books ; and various tracts. Attendance upon the last occasion of public worship, 32. A Hall of religion and learning has been built, costing about \$375.

REMARKS.—Interest in the cause of the Church, connected temporarily with a subordinate claim, was the professed object of those who engaged in the enterprise of establishing a congregation in the vicinity of Mars Bluff. “The reason of this combination of duties is,” it was stated, “that there, a few of us interested in the cause of the Church, and are desirous of making a trial of its success before we build a Church.” After that period, (July 1st,) up to January 1st, I preached 25 times. Read service 15 times. Baptized 2 white adults. Administered Communion 3 times ; assisted at Communion 4 times.

*Prince William's Parish.*

The Rev. B. C. Webb, Missionary.

Baptisms—8 adults ; 2 infants ; total, 10. Communicants, 99. Suspended, 4. Burial, 1. Marriages, 2. Communion administered 10 times. Collected \$8 31½ for missions. Places of worship, 4, during winter and spring, and 5 during summer and autumn. Sundays, 49 ; on which services were performed at each station. Children catechised regularly at each appointment on Sundays.

REMARKS.—From the first year of the mission's existence to the present, adverse circumstances have threatened it with destruction. Its present condition is unsettled, and its future existence uncertain. May the Lord interpose as He has heretofore done, and keep it alive for many generations.

## ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1845.

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*Christ Church Parish, Wilton.*

The Rev. E. T. Walker, Rector.

Baptisms—14 colored adults ; 2 white children ; 20 colored ; total, 22. Marriages, 1 white. Burials, 1 white. Communicants, 15 white ; 130 colored ; total, 145. Non-communicants, 6 white. Families, 10 white. Public worship, 20 Sundays ; whole number of times, 60.

REMARKS.—A service for the negroes, in all, 300, is held immediately after the dismissal of the congregation every Sunday evening. Upon plantations, too distant for the negroes to attend the Church, a service is also held. Upon two of these occasions, the negroes of the adjoining places attend. There are generally in attendance, upon these services, from 50 to 90 souls. The tokens, we believe, to be decidedly good.

*Church of the Holy Trinity, Grahamville.*

The Rev. Edward Reed, Rector.

Baptisms—1 colored adult ; 4 white children ; total, 5. Marriages, 3 white ; 1 colored ; total, 4. Burials, 4 white. Communicants, 27 white ; 28 colored ; total, 55. Non-communicants, 60 white. Children under fourteen, 62 white. Families, 28 white. Families belonging also to other congregations, 4 white. Public worship, Church of the Holy Trinity, 33 Sundays : 7 other days ; whole number of times, 75.

REMARKS.—The Rector was absent during most of the summer, on account of ill health ; the Church being kept open by Lay-reading.

The Church at Grahamville is being enlarged to nearly twice its present capacity.

*Trinity Church, Edgefield Court-House.*

The Rev. C. B. Walker, Rector.

Baptisms—1 white infant ; 3 colored. Marriages, 1 white. Burials, 1 colored. Communicants, 22 white ; 2 colored. Non-communicants, 21 white. Children under fourteen, 26. Families, 14. Families connected with another congregation, 1. Children catechised on 2 days. Confirmation, 1 white ; 2 colored. Sunday School Teachers, 4. Scholars, 8 white ; 10 colored. Public worship, 25 Sundays ; 23 other days ; whole number of times 78.

This report is, of services, beginning 15th June 1845, at which time I entered upon the duties of the Parish.

*St. John's Church, Winnsboro'.*

The Rev. Josiah Obear, Missionary.

Baptisms—3 white children. Burials, 1. Communicants, 22 white ; 4 colored ; total, 26. Non-communicants, 32 white ; 6 colored ; total, 38. Children under fourteen, 33 white ; 6 colored ; total, 39. Families, 18 white ; 3 colored ; total, 21. Families belonging also to other congregations, 3 white. Children catechised 6 days, 12 white. Sunday School Teachers, 4 white. Scholars, 20 white. Public worship, St.

John's Church, 43 Sundays; 6 other days; total, 83; Cedar Creek Chapel, 3 Sundays; other places, 4 Sundays.

REMARKS.—The amount paid for missionary purposes of the Church, has been \$51 85. Communion alms, \$33 21. Total, \$85 06.

*Trinity Church, Abbeville.*

The Rev. A. H. Cornish, Rector.

Baptisms—16 colored adults; 2 white children; 1 colored; total, 19. Marriages, 2 white. Burials, 4 white. Communicants, 16 white. Non-communicants, 30 white; colored, not known. Children under fourteen, 30 white; colored, not known. Families, 20 white. Children catechised 40 Sundays, 6 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 2 white. Public worship, Trinity Church, 39 Sundays; 23 other days; other places in Abbeville district, 10 Sundays; out of it, 2 Sundays. Trinity Church, colored congregation, 34 Sundays; on plantations, 10 times; total, 44. Whole number of times 130.

REMARKS.—The prospects of this Parish are truly encouraging.

*Church of the Messiah, North Santee.*

The Rev. John H. Cornish, Rector.

Baptisms—2 colored adults; 1 white child; 19 colored children; total, 22. Confirmed by the Bishop, 2 white; 44 colored; total, 46. Communicants, 13 white, 9 of which belong also to other congregations; colored, 42; total, 55. Marriages, 1 colored. Burials, 1 colored. Public worship, at the Church of the Messiah, for whites, Sundays, A. M. 19; other days, 3; for colored, 8 A. M. 16; P. M. 17; other days, 8 A. M. 2. On plantations, for colored people, Sundays 1; other days, 4; total, 62.

REMARKS.—The Lord's Supper has been administered 8 times; alms, \$27 6. Collection for the Advancement of Christianity in S. Carolina, \$8 12.

*St. Thaddæus Church, Aiken.*

The Rev. A. E. Ford, Rector.

Baptisms—2 white adults; 5 white children; 9 colored; total, 16. Burials, 5 white. Communicants, 10 white; 3 colored; total, 13. Non-communicants, about 16 white; 8 colored; total, 22. Children under fourteen, 18 white; colored, uncertain. Families, 11, of whom, 5 belong partly to other congregations. Children, about 10. Catechised 5 times. Sunday School Teachers, 4 white. Scholars, 18. Public worship, (from January 25th) 98 times in the Church; once in a private house; total, 99.

REMARKS.—Service has been held on the principal Festivals and Fasts. The colored people, by the assistance of a Rev. brother, were instructed during the summer, in a separate service held for them on Sunday afternoon. A handsome pair of cups has been presented to the Communion by a lady; and chiefly through the kind exertions of another lady. A sum has been collected sufficient to provide the windows of the East end and South side of the Church with blinds. A stove has also been put up.

*Immanuel Church, Landsford, Chester.*

The Rev. R. D. Shindler, Rector.

Baptisms—1 white adult; 1 white child; 1 colored; total, 3. Married, 1. Burials, 3 white; 1 colored; total, 4. Communicants, 14 white; 9 colored; total, 23. Non-communicants, 14 white; 2 colored; total, 16. Children under fourteen, 22 white; 6 colored; total, 28. Families, 12 white; 6 colored; total, 18. Children catechised 12 times in public; in private, as opportunities offered. Service was held as follows: At Immanuel Church, (opened for the first time on the 26th Sunday after Trinity) 5 times. At the School-house, 30 times; Republican Meeting-house, 13 times; Richardson Meeting-house, 5 times. These and 8 other times, at places near Immanuel Church, make, in all, for the benefit of that congregation, 61 services. At York Court-house, once; at a School-house in York, 5 times; in Spartanburg, 4 times; at Laurens Court-house, once; at other places, 8 times. For colored persons, 27 times.

*St. John's Chapel, Hampstead.*

The Rev. Alexander W. Marshall, Missionary.

Baptisms—2 white adults; 1 colored; total, 3; 11 white children; 3 colored; total, 14. Marriages, 9. Burials, 28. Communicants, 35 white; 26 colored; total, 61. Non-communicants, uncertain. Children under fourteen, uncertain. Families, uncertain. Families belonging also to other congregations, uncertain. Children catechised 12 days ——. Confirmed by the Bishop, 6 white; 6 colored; total, 12. Sunday School Teachers, 5 white. Scholars, 62 white; 27 colored; total, 89. Public Worship, St. John's Chapel, 52 Sundays; 67 other days; total, 119.

REMARKS.—Divine service has been held twice on every Sunday, and once on every Saturday; also, once on the Circumcision, Epiphany, Ash-Wednesday, once a day during Passion Week. Easter Monday and Tuesday, Whit-Tuesday, and two Thanksgiving days. Twice on Christmas day. The Lord's Supper has been administered on the third Sunday of every month, on Easter Sunday and Christmas day. The Sunday Schools for white and colored have been regularly held. Catechetical instruction has been given to white and colored adults on two evenings of every week. One Communicant has died, and one left the city.



## MISSIONARY AND OTHER REPORTS.

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### *Christ Church Parish.*

The Rev. P. T. Babbitt, Missionary.

Baptisms—1 white infant; 1 colored; total 2. Communicants 16 white; 7 colored; total, 23. In this Parish, the Lord's Supper has been administered 5 times; in the Church on Sullivan's Island, once, and once in Goose-creek.

REMARKS.—During the past year I have officiated in St. James' Church, Goose-creek; Grace Church, Sullivan's Island; Christ Church, Christ Church Parish; and St. Stephen's Chapel, in this city. By the weather, or by sickness, I have been prevented from leaving the city to attend to my duties in the country 4 or 5 times; and in the month of December, was absent from them 3 days. On most of the holy days, I have aided some of the Clergy in this city, and in several places, have held occasional services for the blacks.

### Report of the Rev. E. H. Downing.

The undersigned, since his ordination on Trinity Sunday last, has preached as follows:—Once at sea, on board the packet ship Sutton; 3 times in the Diocese of South-Carolina; once in that of Maine; and 21 times in that of Massachusetts. He has also frequently assisted in the performance of divine service.

### Report of the Rev. Charles P. Elliott.

Baptisms—19 colored adults; 2 white children; 115 colored; total, 136. Marriages, 3 colored. Burials, 1 white. In 1845, there are 52 Sundays; of these, I officiated 48, and omitted 4; three Sundays I was prevented from attending the sanctuary by bodily indisposition, and one by the extreme inclemency of the weather. I officiated regularly to the colored people at three different stations. At a building appropriated to public worship in Clarendon; at one similarly appropriated in Claremont, and at the Church of Col. J. J. Moore, in Claremont. Besides regular services rendered at these places, I officiated 7 Sundays at Bradford Springs, 4 at St. Marks, 2 at Stateburg, 3 at Charleston, and 2 in Orangeburg district, and on 5 week days. The whole number of times that I held divine service is 129; and the whole number of miles that I travelled to fulfil my ministerial engagements is 763. I administered the sacrament of the Lord's Supper occasionally at the different places where I preached. The object to which my endeavors were chiefly directed this year, "through Christ, which strengtheneth me,"



was the permanent establishment of missions to the colored people in the Parishes of Clarendon and Claremont; and I humbly think, that by the blessing of God, this object is effected. In Clarendon, (where a Lay-catechist has been employed for thirteen months, who extends his labors also to the plantations of Col. J. J. Moore,) the erection of an Episcopal Church for the exclusive accommodation of the colored people is now in progress, and in Claremont, active and efficient measures are being adopted for the erection of Churches adapted to the number and wants of the people, and for the engagement of an Episcopal Clerical Missionary or Lay-catechist, soon to be employed in this important field of labor. At Col. J. J. Moore's, on one occasion of public worship, I baptized as many as 58 colored children. The success, under God, which has attended the labors of Mr. Jacob Welch, the catechist, has greatly encouraged and strengthened the hopes of those who are interested in this work of faith and love. With a view to ascertain the improvement of these people in catechetical instruction, I usually examined them on the catechism from time to time, and I testify that they have now attained as high a degree of religious knowledge as time and circumstances would admit, and such as far exceeds my most sanguine expectations. At Bradford Springs, the congregation has neither diminished nor increased. It consists chiefly of those Episcopalians from the low country, who make this region of country their summer retreat.

In 1845, "the Lord being my helper," I endeavored, as faithfully as I could, to perform as full a measure of ministerial duty as circumstances would permit; and my services for this, like the former year, have been rendered without any pecuniary compensation, being entirely gratuitous.

Report of the Rev. J. Huntington, dated at Rome, Dec. 2d, 1845.

I take occasion, now that the time of the year reminds me of the duty of making my annual report to my Bishop, of letting you know at the same time, of my state, and how I am. My health has continued pretty steadily to improve, since our first arrival in Rome more than a year ago. We were five months domiciliated at Cava, a beautiful valley about 25 miles from Naples, where this year there was quite a colony of English. It was here that I performed the only services that I have to report, by administering or causing to be administered in my house the Holy Communion every Sunday morning for three months, according to the American Ritual. I usually officiated myself—and generally there were five persons present and communicating, sometimes six. On one occasion last winter, I assisted in the administration of the Communion at the English Chapel in Rome. These are the only services performed since my last report. I trust that my time has not been unprofitably employed with a view to future usefulness in the Church since I came to Italy. I have endeavored to draw my care and studies that way, towards which the sacred vows of ordination, oblige me, and I hope I have in a measure succeeded in preparing myself better to discharge the duties of the ministry, whenever it shall please God to permit me to resume them. I do not cease to feel that lively interest in the black people, which a winter in South-Carolina excited in my mind.—The task of ameliorating their condition, as well temporal as eternal belong only to the Church. She alone can safely undertake, she alone

can effectually perform it. Oh! that she may not shrink from it. One thing I can say for certain, that the blacks are quite as well off, temporally, and better instructed in religion, than the most prosperous peasantry I have seen in Europe.

*Christ Church Parish.*

The Rev. J. M. Fell, Missionary.

First Sunday in January, officiated once for the whites, and instructed the negroes. Thursday, 9th January, being appointed a day of General Thanksgiving, divine service was held, and a Sermon appropriate to the occasion preached. Sunday, 12th inst. performed the same duties as before stated.

*Mission at Wateree.*

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I arrived at this mission on the 23d January. Saturday, 25th, catechised the negro children on Mr. Wm. Clarkson's place. The following day performed divine worship, and preached morning and afternoon. On the following Tuesday, again catechised the negro children on Mr. Wm. C's place; and on Wednesday evening, lectured to a large assemblage of colored adults. On Friday, at Mr. John Clarkson's place, I catechised a well instructed and very interesting class of negro children, who sung several of the chants, and as I was informed, were able to sing them all, and lectured also to a large number of adults. On Sunday, 2nd February, performed divine worship, and preached twice at the Lower Chapel, and after evening service, married a couple on the evening of the following Wednesday, which was Ash Wednesday; lectured and baptized 4 children at Mr. Wm. C's Highland place.

*Zion Church, Richland District.*

The Rev. Carter Page, Minister.

Baptisms—3 white adults; 7 colored; total, 10. Children, 1 white; 20 colored; total, 21. Marriages, 1 white; 4 colored; total, 5. Burials, 2 colored. Communicants, 9 white; 100 colored. Children under fourteen, 16 white; colored, not known. Families, 10 white. children catechised, 20 white; 50 colored. Sunday School Teachers, 5 white. Public worship, 35 Sundays. Services for the servants on the four plantations respectively, once per week; whole number of services, 65 public; 120 private; total, 185.

REMARKS.—I have been in connection with Zion Church about eight months, and the Church edifice has been completed since my connection with the congregation. There is an extremely interesting field of labor among the colored people, and an encouraging prospect of building up a very good congregation among the whites.

*Mar's Bluff, Darlington District.*

Report of the late Missionary, Rev. J. Swart.

Baptisms—2 white adults. Confirmed, 2. Communicants admitted, 2. An average attendance of 51 whites upon 28 occasions of public worship; of 59 blacks upon 18 occasions. Catechetical instruction given

regularly before morning service to about 12 children. Distributed 4 Bibles ; 7 Prayer-books ; and various tracts. Attendance upon the last occasion of public worship, 32. A Hall of religion and learning has been built, costing about \$375.

REMARKS.—Interest in the cause of the Church, connected temporarily with a subordinate claim, was the professed object of those who engaged in the enterprise of establishing a congregation in the vicinity of Mars Bluff. “The reason of this combination of duties is,” it was stated, “that there, a few of us interested in the cause of the Church, and are desirous of making a trial of its success before we build a Church.” After that period, (July 1st,) up to January 1st, I preached 25 times. Read service 15 times. Baptized 2 white adults. Administered Communion 3 times ; assisted at Communion 4 times.

*Prince William's Parish.*

The Rev. B. C. Webb, Missionary.

Baptisms—8 adults ; 2 infants ; total, 10. Communicants, 99. Suspended, 4. Burial, 1. Marriages, 2. Communion administered 10 times. Collected \$8 31 $\frac{1}{4}$  for missions. Places of worship, 4, during winter and spring, and 5 during summer and autumn. Sundays, 49 ; on which services were performed at each station. Children catechised regularly at each appointment on Sundays.

REMARKS.—From the first year of the mission's existence to the present, adverse circumstances have threatened it with destruction. Its present condition is unsettled, and its future existence uncertain. May the Lord interpose as He has heretofore done, and keep it alive for many generations.

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within the Diocese, for the space of twelve calendar months next before the meeting of the Convention, and has, for the same period, been employed in performing the duties of his station; *Provided*, also, that no Clergyman otherwise entitled to a seat and vote in Convention, shall, by reason of advanced years, or infirm health, or temporary absence, be divested of such privilege.

SECTION 3.—Every other Clergyman of the Church, being a Missionary, officiating under the sanction of the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, or a Chaplain in any benevolent or other public institution, shall be entitled to all the privileges of a member of this Convention, with the exception of the right to vote in matters involving the temporal concerns of the Churches. The provisions of the second section of this Article shall also apply to the preceding part of this section. Every other Clergyman, being an instructor of youth in any seminary of learning, constituted by civil or Ecclesiastical authority, in this Diocese, or a Chaplain in the Army or Navy of the United States, or being prevented by age and infirmity from exercising his clerical functions, shall be entitled to all the privileges of a member of this Convention, with the exception of the right to vote.

SECTION 4.—Lay-Delegates, not exceeding four (4) in number, shall be elected by the respective Episcopal Churches, in union with this Convention, from among the members of those Churches respectively, to represent them in Convention; the Delegates to be elected in such manner and time, as each Church shall deem proper, to serve for one stated Convention. They shall, before they are permitted to take their seats in Convention, produce written testimonials, of their election. For special Conventions, special elections shall be held.

SECTION 5.—No Member shall hereafter represent two distinct Churches, or shall, in any case, have more than one vote.

SECTION 6.—A Lay-member, having taken his seat in the Convention as a Delegate from any Church, shall not, (without the unanimous consent of the Convention,) be permitted to relinquish his seat, and take a seat as the Delegate of another Church.

#### ARTICLE IV.

##### *Of a Quorum.*

Ten (10) Members of the Clerical Order, and Lay-Representatives of ten (10) Churches, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business generally; but any number of either order that shall assemble, may adjourn, from day to day, until a quorum is formed.

#### ARTICLE V.

##### *Of the President.*

The Bishop of the Diocese shall be *ex-officio* President of the Convention. But in case of his absence, or a vacancy in the Episcopate,

the President of the Standing Committee shall be the President of the Convention ; and if he be not present, a presiding officer shall be elected from among the attending Presbyters.

#### ARTICLE VI.

##### *Of the Secretary.*

A Secretary, who shall also be, *ex-officio*, Treasurer, shall be annually chosen, (and continue in office until a successor be appointed,) who shall keep a true and correct Journal of the Proceedings of the Convention, attest its public acts, preserve its records, and give notice to each Minister and Vestry of the time and place appointed for any stated or special meeting of the Convention ; and this notice shall be given at least six weeks before the meeting of such Convention. He shall also keep regular accounts of all money transactions, to be annually laid before the Convention, and shall faithfully deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and papers, relative and belonging to the Convention, which may be in his charge.

#### ARTICLE VII.

##### *Of the Standing Committee.*

SECTION 1.—A Standing Committee, consisting of five Presbyters of the Diocese, and five Laymen, taken indiscriminately from among the actual communicants of the Church in the Diocese, shall be elected by ballot at every regular meeting of the Convention, for the purposes expressed in the Constitution and Canons of the General and Diocesan Conventions, who shall continue in office until another Committee be appointed.

SECTION 2.—At their first meeting after their appointment, they shall choose one of the Presbyters of their body to be their President ; and another of their body to be their Secretary, whose duty it shall be to keep regular minutes of all the proceedings and business of the Committee, to preserve them carefully recorded in a book provided for that purpose alone, to preserve the originals of all letters and papers addressed to the Standing Committee, to attest their public acts, to perform such other duties as they may require, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and papers relative to the concerns of the Standing Committee, which may have been entrusted to him.

SECTION 3.—They shall present to each annual Convention an abstract of the minutes of their proceedings since the former Convention.

SECTION 4.—Vacancies in this Committee, caused by death, resignation, or otherwise, shall be supplied by the suffrages of the remaining members, a majority of the whole Committee being necessary to constitute a choice.

## ARTICLE VIII.

*Of Special Meetings.*

SECTION 1.—The Bishop, or in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a special meeting of the Convention; and such meeting shall be held where the authority calling it shall determine; and at such special meeting no other business shall be transacted than that stated in the notice calling the Convention.

SECTION 2.—No special meeting of the Convention shall be called for the election of a Bishop or Assistant-Bishop.

## ARTICLE IX.

*Of Voting in Convention.*

On all questions, unless otherwise provided by the Constitution, the members shall deliberate and vote as one body; but any two Clergymen, of the Delegation from any two Churches, may call for a separate vote of each Order, when the Clergy shall vote individually, and the Lay-Delegates by Churches, (a majority of each Delegation having one vote,) and a majority of both Orders shall, in each case, be necessary to a decision.

## ARTICLE X.

*Of the Election of a Bishop, or Assistant-Bishop.*

In the election of a Bishop, or Assistant Bishop of this Diocese, a majority of each Order shall determine a choice: *Provided*, that two-thirds (2-3ds) of all the Clergy entitled to vote, and two-thirds (2-3ds) of the Churches entitled to representation, be present; otherwise, two-thirds (2-3ds) of the vote of each Order present, shall be necessary to determine a choice.

## ARTICLE XI.

*Of the Trial of a Clergyman.*

A Clergyman shall be subject to a trial, for offences enumerated in the Canon of the General Convention "*of offences for which Ministers shall be tried and punished*," and in the Canons of this Convention. The trial shall be conducted according to the mode provided for by the Canons of this Convention.

## ARTICLE XII.

*Of the admission of Churches, or Parishes into the Convention.*

Whenever a Church, or Parish, not now entitled to a representation, shall be desirous of uniting with the Convention of the Church in this Diocese, they shall apply by letter to the Bishop, or when there is no Bishop, or he be absent, to the Standing Committee, stating the due organization of their Church, the election of their Vestrymen and Church



Wardens, their means, or prospects, for the support of a Minister, and their willingness to conform to the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, and the Constitution and Canons of the Convention of this Diocese, which are now, or hereafter may be enacted by authority of the same. And, at the Convention next succeeding the receipt of such application, the Bishop, or Standing Committee, shall communicate the same to the Convention for their decision thereon. Should the Convention make a favourable decision, the said Church shall then be considered in union with the Convention of the Church in this Diocese : *Provided, always*, that the Delegates of the Church, or Parish newly admitted, though entitled to a seat, shall not be allowed a vote at the meeting of the Convention in which their Church, or Parish, is admitted. But no Lay vote shall be received from any Church, or Parish, which has for three (3) successive years neglected to elect a Vestry and Wardens, or pay its quota to the Convention, until admitted by a vote of the Convention.

#### ARTICLE XIII.

##### *Of Deputies to the General Convention.*

SECTION 1.—At every annual Convention, four Presbyters, and four Laymen, shall be chosen by ballot, to represent this Diocese in General Convention.

SECTION 2.—In case any Deputy, appointed as above, shall decline such appointment, or be unable to attend, it shall be his duty to inform the Bishop, or in case of his absence, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the President of the Standing Committee; and the Bishop, or in case of his absence, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee may appoint a substitute for any Deputy so declining, or unable to attend : *Provided*, that such substitute be a member of the Protestant Episcopal Church in South-Carolina.

#### ARTICLE XIV.

##### *Of altering the Constitution.*

No one of these Articles shall be altered, or repealed, nor shall any Article be adopted; unless such alteration, repeal, or new article, be proposed, considered, and concurred in, by a majority at one Convention, and concurred in by two-thirds (2-3ds) of the Churches present at a subsequent Convention.

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## CANONS.

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### CANON 1.

#### *On making Collections for the Bishop's Common Fund.*

Every Minister having a Parochial charge in this Diocese, or his Assistant, shall, from time to time, at his discretion preach in every Church under his care, a sermon on the nature and duties of the Episcopal office; and the Vestry of each Church are requested to make a collection annually, in aid of the Bishop's Common Fund; or, in lieu of such collection, the Minister and Vestry of such Church may substitute an annual contribution. Passed 1822. Amended 1826.

### CANON II.

#### *Providing for an accurate view of the state of the Church.*

Every Minister having a Parochial charge in this Diocese, shall, at or before the meeting of every annual Convention, deliver, or transmit to the Bishop, or where there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, an accurate statement, in writing, of the number of Baptisms, Burials, and Marriages, in his Parish, or Church, during the year ending on the first of January preceding: specifying the number of places where, and how often in each, Divine Service is held; the number of Families, (discriminating in each instance the number of Families belonging likewise to other Congregations,) Communicants, Adults, and Children under fourteen (14) years, attending, or belonging to the same; the number catechised by him, and on how many Sundays; whether there be any Sunday School, and, if any, the number of Children and Teachers, and the subjects of instruction in the same; and generally, all such other matters as may tend to throw light on the state of the Church under his care; which reports shall be laid before the Convention, and entered on the Journals, conformably to the seventh (7th) Canon of the General Convention of 1835. Passed 1825. Amended 1841.

### CANON III,

#### *Trial of a Clergyman.*

SECTION 1.—In order to bring a Clergyman to trial before an Ecclesiastical Court, a charge shall be made, in the first place, to the Standing Committee, in writing, under the proper signature of at least two persons, one of whom shall be a Presbyter of this Diocese. And if the Standing Committee shall deem the offence charged, as coming within the offences enumerated in the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese,

or of the General Convention, and that it ought to be presented, they shall present the same to the Bishop in the following form :

*To A. B., Bishop of the Diocese of South-Carolina :*

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of South-Carolina, respectfully represent, that C. D. has been accused under the hand of E. F. and G. H., of [here recite the charge, or charges,] and the Committee are of opinion, that there is sufficient ground for presenting the said C. D. for trial, agreeably to the Canon, in such case made and provided.

[Signed by the Standing Committee.]

SECTION 2.—But nothing, herein contained, shall be regarded as interfering with the duty of the Bishop to institute an inquiry on his own motion, according to the thirty-seventh Canon of the General Convention.

SECTION 3.—A presentment being made, the Bishop shall proceed, from among those entitled to a seat in the Convention, other than the members of the Standing Committee, to designate twelve (12) Presbyters, and cause a list of their names, and a copy of the presentment, to be furnished to the accused, or left at his usual place of abode, if he be not found. Within thirty (30) days thereafter, the accused shall select five (5); and, in either case, the selected Presbyters shall constitute a Council for the trial of the accused.

SECTION 4.—The Council shall hold its session at such time and place as the Bishop may appoint, and shall have power to adjourn from time to time, and from place to place, within the Diocese. If it fail to meet on the day appointed, it shall stand adjourned to the next day, and from day to day, for the space of three days, if it be not sooner formed; and if the whole number do not attend, and it appears probable that a full attendance cannot be had, those of the Council who may be present, being not less than three (3), shall proceed to trial. The Council shall appoint a President and Secretary, the first from their own body, and the latter from their own body, or otherwise; and before proceeding to trial, shall ordain and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted. It shall cause the oral testimony for and against the accused to be written down by the Secretary, and, along with the depositions and other evidence read upon the trial, to be carefully preserved; and shall cause a record to be kept of its proceedings. Some officer, authorized by law to administer oaths, may be called upon by the Council to administer an oath, or affirmation to the witnesses; and the trial shall be in public, if desired by the Standing Committee, or by the accused.

SECTION 5.—A written notice of the time and place of the meeting of the Council shall be served upon the accused, or left at his usual place of abode, (if he be not found,) at least thirty (30) days before such meet-

ing : and like notice shall be given to the Standing Committee, who by their President, or some one whom they may appoint to perform that office, shall collect and present the evidence in support of the accusation, and otherwise appear in behalf the prosecution.

SECTION 6.—If the accused do not appear, the Council may proceed to trial in his absence, or, for good cause shewn, may adjourn the trial to another day ; and if he refuse, or decline to appear, the Council shall report him to the Bishop for contumacy, who thereupon shall pass upon him sentence of suspension from the Ministry ; but such sentence may be revised by the Bishop, if the accused, within three calendar months, shall report to him that he is prepared to undergo his trial, and shall appear, for that end, before the Council ; and if he do not so report and appear, the Bishop, in view of the charges in the presentment, may pass against him sentence of degradation from the Ministry.

SECTION 7.—Upon the application of the Standing Committee, or the accused, to the Bishop, setting forth that the attendance of a material witness cannot be had, he shall appoint a Clergyman, or Layman, as a Commissioner to take the deposition of such witnesss ; and the party applying shall give to the other party five days notice of the time and place of taking the deposition. If the party to whom such notice is to be given, reside more than forty miles from the place appointed for taking the deposition, an additional day, exclusive of Sunday, shall be allowed for every twenty miles. The examination shall be in writing, and signed by the witness : and the deposition, certified by the Commissioner, and transmitted, under seal, to the Council.

SECTION 8.—When the trial shall be gone through, the Council shall declare, in a writing, to be signed by the several members, or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether they find the accused guilty, or not guilty ; and if guilty, suggesting what sentence, in their opinion, ought to be pronounced. They shall forward the decision, together with the evidence, and the record of the proceedings, to the Bishop ; whereupon, the Bishop shall pronounce such sentence as shall to him appear proper, and such sentence shall be final. But if, in the opinion of the Bishop, the accused ought to have a new trial, he shall have power to award it ; in which case a new Council shall be convened, before which the proceedings shall be conducted, as before provided.

SECTION 9.—If at any time the accused shall confess the truth of the charges, the Bishop (such confession being made to him, or being certified to him by the Council,) shall proceed to pass sentence ; and if, when put upon his trial before the Council, the accused shall neither admit, nor deny the charges, he shall be regarded as pleading not guilty.

SECTION 10.—It shall be the duty of the Bishop to report to the Convention, at its next session, after the trial of a Presbyter, or Deacon, as herein provided, the finding of the Council and his sentence thereupon.



## RULES OF ORDER.

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I. The opening of the Convention shall always be preceded by the Morning Service of the Church, a Sermon, and the administration of the Lord's Supper by the Bishop, or, if the Episcopate be vacant, or the Bishop be not present, by the President of the Standing Committee.—The business of every succeeding day shall be introduced with the Morning Service and a Sermon; and the business of every day shall be closed with the appropriate Collects pronounced by the President.

II. At the opening of each Annual Convention, when the President shall have taken the Chair, the Secretary, shall first call over, in alphabetical order, the names of the Clergy entitled to seats. He shall then call over the Churches entitled to representation; when the Delegates shall lay their certificates on the Secretary's table. These shall be referred to a Committee of three, who shall forthwith examine them, and report to the Convention. A constitutional quorum having been found present, the President shall declare the Convention duly organized.—Should the Committee have considered any testimonials unsatisfactory, these shall now be taken up, and the question of their sufficiency settled.

III. The further order of business for the first day of the session of the Convention shall be as follows:

1. The reading of the "Rules of Order."
2. The election of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an Assistant Secretary.
3. The consideration of the application of Churches, or Parishes, for admission into the Convention.
4. The appointment, by the President, of Preachers for the first day of the next Annual Convention.
5. The appointment by the President, of two Standing Committees, viz: the Committee on unfinished business one (1) Clergyman and two (2) Laymen; the Committee on Finance, three (3) Laymen.
6. The annual communication of the Standing Committee of the Church.
7. The appointment of that Committee.
8. The choosing of Deputies to the General Convention.
9. The appointment of special Committees.
10. Miscellaneous business.

IV. The daily order of proceedings, after the first day, shall be, on the President's taking the Chair.

1. The reading and approval of the Minutes.
2. Calling the names of members absent on the preceding day.
3. Calling upon each delegation to pay the assessment on their re-



spective Churches, or Parishes, for the Bishop's Common Fund, and for the expenses of the Convention.

4. Reports to be called for in the following order.

Committee on Finance.

Treasurer of Bishop's Permanent, Common and Convention Funds  
Committee on unfinished Business.

Conventional School Committee.

Trustees for aged and infirm Clergymen.

Committees appointed at the preceding Convention.

Special Committees.

5. Miscellaneous Business.

V. Before the rising of the Convention, the Minutes of the last day's proceedings shall be read and approved.

VI. The Bishop's Address shall be at any time in order.

VII. When the President shall take the Chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, unless to address the Chair.

VIII. The delegation of each Church shall occupy one pew.

IX. No member shall absent himself from the Convention, unless he hath leave, or be unable to attend.

X. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall rise from his seat, and, without advancing, shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself to the point in debate, and avoiding personality.

XI. When two or more members rise at the same time, the President shall name the member who is first to speak.

XII. No member shall speak more than twice to the same question, without leave of the Convention.

XIII. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention, and shall not again be drawn into debate during the same session, except upon a motion to reconsider, which may be moved and seconded by any member who voted in the majority.

XIV. When the President is putting the question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across the Church.

XV. No motion shall be considered before the Convention, unless seconded, and reduced to writing, if the President or any member require it. A Minister, or Delegate, may not second a motion offered by a Minister, or Delegate, of the same Church with himself.

XVI. When a question is before the House, no motion shall be received, but to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone to a day certain, to commit, or amend; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are named. A motion to strike out the word "Resolved," shall have precedence to a motion to amend; and, if carried, shall be equivalent to a rejection of the reso-

lution. Subject to these exceptions, the question first moved, shall be first put.

XVII. Motions to adjourn, to lay on the table, and to postpone indefinitely, shall be decided without debate. A motion to adjourn may interrupt a speech, or any other business of the Convention.

XVIII. No leave of absence shall be indefinitely granted to any member, unless full and sufficient reason be given by him to the Convention.

XIX. When any report, motion, or proposition shall be offered, before any debate or order on the subject, the President *may*, at his pleasure, or upon the demand of any member, he *shall* put the question. "Will the Convention now receive this?" Which question shall be decided without debate. If it be decided in the negative, the matter shall stand as though not presented. If no such question be put, the matter, if in order, shall be received without question.

XX. All special Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

XXI. No member shall vote on any question, in the event of which he is immediately and personally interested, or in any case where he was not present when the question was put.

XXII. If any member, in speaking, or otherwise, transgress the rules of the Convention, the President *shall*, or any member *may* call to order; in which case, the member so called to order shall immediately sit down, unless permitted to explain. All questions of order shall be determined in the first instance, without debate, by the President; but any member may appeal from such decision to the Convention, and on such appeal no member shall speak more than once, without leave of the Convention.

XXIII. The President shall have the right to name a member to perform the duties of the Chair; but such substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment.

XXIV. Clergymen belonging to the Diocese, but not entitled to seats in the Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, not belonging to the Diocese, and Candidates for Orders, shall be admitted to the sittings of this Convention.

XXV. None of the Rules of Order shall be suspended, without the concurrence of two thirds (2-3rds) of the members present.

XXVI. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be read at the opening of every Convention, and shall be of force, unless repealed by a vote of the Convention.

## STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

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1. *Resolved*, That the following are the sums which each Parish, or Church, shall annually contribute to a fund, to be called "The Bishop's Common Fund:" to wit:

St. Michael's, - - -	\$300	St. Luke's, - - -	\$15
St. Philip's, - - -	300	Church of the Holy Trinity,	
St. Paul's, Radcliffeboro', -	150	Grahamville, -	15
St. Peter's, - - -	100	Christ Church, Wilton, -	15
Prince George, Winyaw, -	50	St. Helena, St. Helena Island,	10
St. John's, Berkley, -	50	St. Mark's Clarendon, - -	10
St. John's, Colleton, - -	50	St. James', Goose Creek, -	10
Edisto Island, - - -	50	St. David's, Cheraw, - -	10
All-Saints, Waccamaw, - -	50	St. Andrew's, - - -	10
St. Helena, Beaufort, -	35	Grace Church, Camden, - -	10
St. Paul's Pendleton, - -	30	Pineville and Upper St. John's,	10
Trinity Church, Columbia, -	30	Prince William's Parish, -	10
St. James, Santee, - - -	30	Grace Church, Sullivan's Island,	5
North Santee, - - -	30	Christ Church, - - -	5
St. Bartholomew's, - - -	25	St. James, James Island, -	5
St. Paul's, Stono, - - -	20	Trinity Church, Society Hill,	5
St. Thomas and St. Dennis, -	20	Prince Frederick's, - - -	5
Claremont, - - -	20	Christ Church, Greenville, -	5
St. Matthews, - - -	20		

*Passed 1824. Amended at various times.*

2. *Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Bishop's Common Fund, shall punctually pay over to the Bishop of the Diocese, the sum of fifteen hundred (1500) dollars, annually, in quarterly payments, from said fund; to enable him to discharge his Episcopal duties.

*[Passed 1835. Amended 1841.*

3. *Resolved*, That whatever balance may remain, after paying the sum of fifteen hundred dollars to the Bishop, shall be paid over to the Bishop's Permanent Fund.

*[Passed 1834. Amended.*

4. *Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention, in his annual Summons to the different Parishes, or Churches, to state the quota of such Parishes, or Churches, to the Bishop's Common Fund.

*[Passed 1830.*



*Resolved*, That the Parishes of St. Philip's, and St. Michael's, and St. Paul's Church, Radcliffeboro', and St. Peter's Church, Charleston, shall each contribute ten (10) dollars annually, and each Parish or Church in the country five (5) dollars annually, towards defraying the expenses of the Convention; and, that the Secretary, in issuing his Summons to the Parish, or Churches, shall inform them of this resolution; and that, at each annual Convention, the Treasurer shall apply to the Delegates of each Church, for their respective contributions.

[*Passed* 1820. *Amended* 1829.]

6. *Resolved*, That it be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention, for the time being, to furnish the Ministers of the several Parishes, or Churches, with blank copies of the usual form for Reports; and that they be, and they are hereby required, *henceforth*, to make their annual returns conformably to the same.

[*Passed* 1826.]

7. *Whereas*, according to the Consecration service of the Protestant Episcopal Church, "devout and holy men, as well under the Law as under the Gospel, moved either by the express command of God, or by the secret inspiration of the blessed Spirit, and acting agreeably to their own reason and sense of the natural decency of things, have erected houses for the public worship of God, and separated them from all *unhallowed, worldly, and common* uses, in order to fill men's minds with greater reverence for his glorious Majesty and affect their hearts with more devotion and humility in his service;" and, whereas, the delivering of orations, and holding elections, on secular or political subjects and occasions, and the usual worldly accompaniments and circumstances, are thought inconsistent with both the letter and spirit of this declaration of the Consecration service, and have been found to give pain to many members of our Communion, and generally to be of injurious tendency; therefore, be it

*Resolved by this Convention*, That it be recommended to the Vestries of all Churches in this Diocese, to discourage, and, if possible, interdict the use of the Churches under their care, for all *unhallowed, worldly, and common* purposes.

[*Passed* 1828.]

8. *Resolved*, That the custom of returning thanks for Sermons preached before this body, is inexpedient and unnecessary, and shall not, in future, be observed.

[*Passed* 1829.]

9. *Resolved*, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay, annually, to the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, the quota of this Diocese, towards defraying the contingent expenses of the General Convention.

[*Passed* 1832.]

10. *Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of the several Clergymen, having a Parochial charge, to give notice to their respective Congregations, on the Sunday preceding the meeting of the Diocesan Convention, that divine service may be expected every day during the sitting of the Convention.

[*Passed* 1833. *Amended*.]



11. *Resolved*, That the Fund to be raised in conformity with a resolution for adopting measures to increase the Bishop's Permanent Fund, shall be called the "Convention Fund, raised for the increase of the Bishop's Permanent Fund; shall be entrusted to the charge of the Treasurer of the Bishop's Permanent and Common Funds; and shall not be used, either principal or interest, except for the purpose of investment until the income shall be adequate, together with the income of the Bishop's Permanent Fund, to the support of the Episcopate, independent of a Parochial charge. [Passed 1836, and amended.

12. *Resolved*, That it be recommended to the Parishes of the Diocese to defray the expenses of their respective Pastors, incurred by their attendance on the Diocesan Convention. [Passed 1838.

13. *Resolved*, That it be respectfully recommended to the members of our Church, who are proprietors of slaves, individually and collectively, to take measures for the *support* of Clerical Missionaries and Lay Catechists, who are members of our Church, for the religious instruction of their slaves. [Passed 1838.

14. *Resolved*, That it be urged upon the Rectors and Vestries of the country Parishes, to exert themselves to obtain the services of such Clerical Missionaries and Lay-Catechists. [Passed 1838.

15. *Resolved*, That every Missionary and Catechist be approved of by the Bishop. [Passed 1838.

16. *Resolved*, That the Clergy be required, on some suitable occasion previously to the meeting of the Convention in each year, to call the attention of their respective Congregations, to the importance of the punctual attendance of Delegates at such Convention. [Passed 1838.

17. *Resolved*, That no person, who is a Candidate for Orders, shall be admitted to a seat in this Convention, as a Lay Delegate from any Parish or Church. [Passed 1839.

18. *Resolved*, That it be respectfully recommended to the several Churches in this Diocese, that in the appointment of Delegates to the Diocesan Convention, they should select persons who are regular communicants of the Church. [Passed 1841.

19. *Resolved*, That the Rector or officiating Minister, or in case of there being no Minister, the Chairman of the Vestry in the different Parishes be requested, at as early a date as possible after each annual election of Vestry and Wardens of their Church, to forward a list of their names to the President of the Standing Committee, and also a list to the Secretary of the Convention, that they may be kept on file. [Passed 1842.

20. *Resolved unanimously*, That whereas, the practice of both public and private travelling on the Lord's Day, is deemed to be a prevalent evil

of the times ; and whereas, the 41st Canon of our Church, " Of the due celebration of Sundays," prescribes that " All persons within this Church shall celebrate and keep the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, in hearing the word of God read and taught, in private and public prayer, in other exercises of devotion, and in acts of charity, using all godly and sober conversation."

*Resolved*, That the attention of the members of our Church in this Diocese be solicited to the above Canon.

## DIOCESAN COMMITTEES, &c.

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### 1. Standing Committee of the Diocese :

The Rev. Christian Hanckel, D. D., *Chairman*.

" Paul Trapier,

" Paul T. Gervais,

" Paul Trapier Keith,

" J. S. Hanckel,

Dr. I. M. Campbell,

James H. Ladson,

Edward McCrady,

H. D. Lesesne,

E. R. Laurens.

### 2. Delegates to the General Convention .

The Rev. Christian Hanckel, D. D.

" Thomas John Young,

" Joseph R. Walker,

" Paul Trapier,

John H. Tucker,

C. G. Memminger,

Francis M. Weston,

Lewis Morris.

## 3. Episcopal School Committee :

The Rt. Rev. C. E. Gadsden, D. D., *Chairman.*

The Rev. Paul Trapier,

“ C. Hanckel, D. D.,

“ C. Wallace,

“ P. T. Keith,

Dr. I. M. Campbell,

C. G. Memminger,

J. K. Sass,

Edward McCrady,

J. K. SASS, *Secretary.*

Dr. I. M. CAMPBELL, *Treasurer.*

## 4. Trustees of the Fund for aged and infirm Clergymen :

The Rt. Rev. C. E. Gadsden, D. D., *Chairman.*

N. R. Middleton,

George W. Egleston,

James K. Pringle, *Treasurer.*

## 5. Trustees of the General Theological Seminary :

The Rev. T. J. Young,

“ J. R. Walker,

“ C. Hanckel, D. D.,

“ A. L. Converse,

“ P. Trapier,

“ W. H. Barnwell,

N. Russell Middleton,

Robert W. Barnwell,

C. G. Memminger,

Edward R. Laurens,

Francis M. Weston,

Lewis Morris.

## 6. Secretary and Treasurer of the Convention.

The Rev. C. Wallace, *Post Office, Charleston.*

*Assistant Secretary,* The Rev. P. T. Keith.

## 7. Treasurer of the “ Bishop’s Permanent and Common Funds” and of the “ Convention’s Fund for the increase of the Bishop’s Permanent Fund.”

Thos. G. Simons, Jr., *Charleston.*

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The next meeting of the Convention, will be held in St. Michael's Church, Charleston, the first Thursday of February 1847, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

C. WALLACE, *Secretary.*

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